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The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

Proceedings 1943

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The Thirty-eighth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge will be held in the City of Regina, on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of June, nineteen hundred and forty-four.

The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A.F.&A.M.

OFFICE OF
THE GRAND SECRETARY

ROBT. A. TATE,
GRAND SECRETARY

Regina, Canada

September 22nd, 1943.

C.E. Wight, Esq.
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Dear Sir & R.W. Brother:

We are pleased to comply with your request of the 21st instant and are forwarding you, under separate cover, a copy of the 1943 Proceedings of Grand Lodge. We trust that you will find a great deal that will be both instructive and interesting in this Proceedings.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

Robt. A. Tate

Grand Secretary

rm/mm

Proceedings of the

M. W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan

Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons

AT THE

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

Saskatoon on the 16th Day of June, 1943

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL LODGES AND PRESERVED

SAMUEL JOHN ALBERT BRANION

Our newly elected Grand Master, Samuel John Albert Branion, was born in North Middlesex, Ontario, on the 7th of October, 1874. His parents, Robert and Mary J. (Langford) Branion, were natives of Ontario. Three of his grandparents were also Canadians by birth. For a number of years the father engaged in agricultural pursuits in Middlesex County and later farmed in southern Manitoba.

The early education of our Grand Master was obtained in the rural schools of Middlesex County, St. Mary's Collegiate, Stratford Model School and the School of Pedagogy at Toronto, where he received a first class professional certificate. In March, 1897, he came West. During the ensuing decade he was engaged as a teacher in various schools of this Province and further improved his qualifications by graduating in Arts from Queen's University. His ability and outstanding success as an Educationalist were recognized by his appointment in 1908 as an Inspector of Schools. He continued his extramural studies, graduating from Manitoba University as Bachelor of Laws. He was awarded the Silver Medal for highest standing in his class. In 1911 he articled as a student-at-law and was called to the Bar in 1914, since which time he has practiced in Prince Albert. From 1929 to 1934 he was agent of the Attorney General for the Judicial District of Prince Albert. In December 1929, he was made a King's Counsel. In recent years he has given excellent service as City and Provincial Police Magistrate.

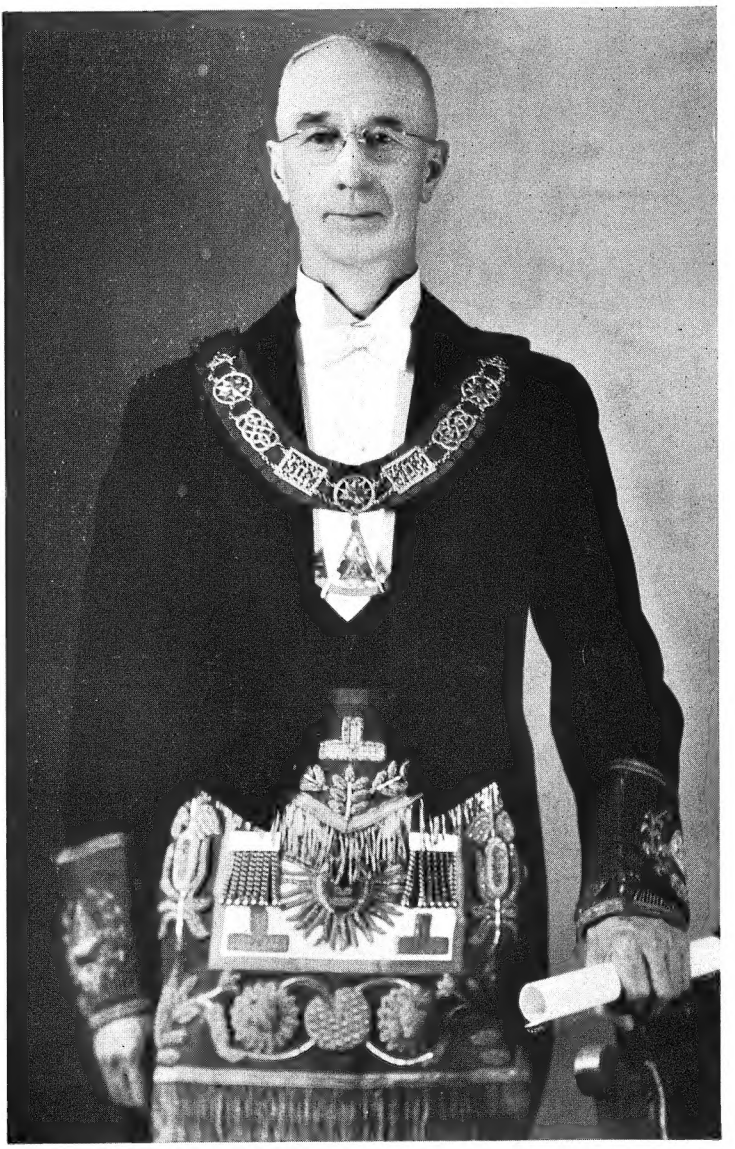
In December, 1904, Bro. Branion was married to Miss Dora Reeve, a daughter of Charles and Ann (Hepworth) Reeve, natives of England, where Mrs. Branion was born. The family suffered a grievous loss in her death in 1923. He has three daughters—Dora Aileen, Margaret Hepworth and Edith Doreen.

Bro. Branion has led and still leads, an active and industrious life, giving freely of his time and talent to Community service. He has served with distinction on the Aldermanic, School and Library Boards, the Red Cross Society, Canadian and Kiwanis Clubs of his home City; in the Councils of the United Church of Canada; as a Governor of St. Andrew's College, Saskatchewan, and on the Executive of the Saskatchewan and Canadian Bar Associations. He was Mayor of the City of Prince Albert for the years 1925 to 1929.

Our Grand Master was raised in Wolseley Lodge No. 24, on December 2nd, 1909; served as Worshipful Master in 1913, affiliated with Prince Albert Lodge No. 63 on November 14th, 1919; elected to the Board of General Purposes in June, 1936; appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New York near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in 1941; elected Grand Junior Warden June 1940, Grand Senior Warden 1941 and Deputy Grand Master in 1942.

Our Most Worshipful Brother has made a marked success in the professions of teaching and law and combines a wealth of learning and experience with a love of his fellow man. Temperamentally conservative, painstaking, diligent and judicial, the welfare of Masonry in our Province may confidently be left in his care during his term of office.

"A great deal of the joy of life consists in doing perfectly, or, at least to the best of one's ability, everything which he attempts to do. It is this conscientious completeness which turns work into art."—William Matthews.



M.W. BRO. SAMUEL JOHN ALBERT BRANION

Grand Master, 1943-44

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
A. F. & A. M.

PROCEEDINGS: ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Representatives of the Lodges assembled in the Bessborough Hotel, in the City of Saskatoon, at 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 16th, 1943.

9.05 a.m. Deputy Grand Master, Grand Officers, Past Grand Masters and Distinguished Guests entered Grand Lodge.

9.15 a.m. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master entered Grand Lodge.

The Brethren joined in singing "O Canada."

FLAG CEREMONY

Brother Sgt. J. Robinson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack at the Altar, using the following Ceremony prepared by the Grand Master:

"I now present our Flag—the Union Jack—the emblem of Freedom and Democracy.

"As its component crosses were successively combined to symbolize the voluntary unions of free peoples, so may it continue to typify the greater unities of our wider Commonwealth.

"May the red, the colour of the sacrificial blood of the martyrs; the white like the snowy lambskin of Masonry and the blue of the changeless vault of the sky, symbolically depicting COURAGE, PURITY and TRUTH, blend wherever it floats the wide world round to blazon forth a sure pledge of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity for all peoples everywhere. Long may it wave!"

So mote it be. NATIONAL ANTHEM

DEDICATORY PLEDGE

The assembled Brethren, led by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, joined in the following dedicatory pledge:

"On my faith and honour I do now solemnly and sincerely promise and vow henceforth to devote myself with greater service and sacrifice to the practice of the tenets and towards the attainment of the ideals of our time-honoured Institution. I re-affirm my belief in the Supreme Being, in His revealed will and in His certain punishment of vice and reward of virtue. I declare my loyalty and allegiance to H. M. the King and pledge myself to do all in my power to support all undertakings destined to ensure victory for our arms and a just and lasting peace. So help me God and keep me steadfast and may the Most High prosper our united endeavours.—Amen."

WELCOME

His Worship, Mayor S. N. MacEachern of the City of Saskatoon, and W. Brother W. J. Young of Lodge Progress No. 92, representing

the four Saskatoon City Lodges and Twin City Lodge, Sutherland, were introduced. Mayor MacEachern extended the civic welcome and W. Brother Young the Masonic. R.W. Brother J. C. Carter, Grand Senior Warden, briefly acknowledged the former and R.W. Brother F. C. Hayes, Grand Junior Warden, the latter.

OPENING OF GRAND LODGE

A constitutional number of Lodges being represented by their accredited representatives, Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form and the Grand Chaplain implored the blessing of the G.A.O T.U. upon its deliberations.

Present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, on the Throne

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion

PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate, J. McCauley, R. Young, N. B. Williams, J. W. MacNeill, W. M. Martin, J. Orville Clarke, C P. Moore, J. McGregor, F. B. Reilly, N. R. Craig, J. W. Estey, M. Musk, A. O. Brooks, C. P. Seeley.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R.W. Bros. M. S. Mooney (1), H. L. Fowler (2), W. W. Snider (3), S. Lowe (4), W. H. Moor (5), W. S. E. Inglis (9), H. M. Stewart (10), M. L. Smith (11), R. L. Harper (12), R. J. McAuslan (13), G. R. Binkley (14), D. H. Chivers (15), J. H. Middagh (17).

Grand Senior Warden.....J. C. Carter (65)
Grand Junior Warden.....F. C. Hayes (26)
Grand Treasurer.....A. C. Garner (154)
Grand Secretary.....Robt. A. Tate (11)
Grand Registrar.....T. H. Pendlebury (3)
Grand Chaplain.....L. M. Outerbridge (49)
Acting Grand Senior Deacon.....H. R. Gordon (11)
Acting Grand Junior Deacon.....E. H. M. Knowles (174)
Grand Director of Ceremonies.....H. J. Hodge (64)
Acting Grand Organist.....Harry Jones (16)
Grand Superintendent of Works.....J. A. Lackey (25)
Grand Pursuivant.....F. A. Williamson (49)
Grand Tyler.....T. A. Williams (144)

GRAND STEWARDS:—J. F. Haldane (89), G. H. Downton (105), E. St. G. Hodson (22), L. E. Jones (131).

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama—F. T. Fraser
British Columbia—Robt. A. Tate
Canada in Ontario—N. B. Williams
Colorado—A. G. Rawlinson
Delaware—G. H. Hummel
England—J. McCauley
Florida—J. R. Young
Illinois—C. P. Seeley
Indiana—G. Hooker
Ireland—W. B. Tate
Kansas—W. M. Martin
Louisiana—T. J. Ford
Manitoba—W. O. Fraser
Michigan—C. P. Moore
Mississippi—J. E. McLarty
Missouri—J. O. Clarke
Nebraska—M. Musk
Nevada—F. C. Hayes

New Brunswick—J. W. Estey
New Hampshire—H. Elliott
New Mexico—T. H. Pendlebury
New York—S. J. A. Branion
New Zealand—F. B. Reilly
North Carolina—A. M. Bell
Nova Scotia—N. R. Craig
Ohio—A. C. Garner
Prince Ed. Island—J. W. MacNeill
Rio de Janeiro—J. E. Rodney
Scotland—R. Young
South Carolina—J. C. Carter
Tennessee—J. McGregor
Texas—A. G. McLean
Vermont—J. N. Smith
Virginia—D. Fraser
Washington—A. O. Brooks
Western Australia—E. C. Bird
West Virginia—F. B. O'Neil
Wisconsin—F. M. Hodson

REPRESENTATIVES CONSTITUENT LODGES AND PAST MASTERS

No. 1—Kinistino, Prince Albert: Wm. Graham, J. N. Smith, A. H. Pullinger, J. T. Tomlinson, R. Mayson, R. Young.
No. 2—Wascana, Regina: W. M. Martin, T. Barraclough, J. F. Lunney, F. B. Reilly.
No. 3—Moose Jaw, Moose Jaw: C. J. Broderick, A. S. Pipes, T. H. Pendlebury, L. F. Henderson, J. McCauley, A. Wilson.
No. 4—Qu'Appelle Valley, Fort Qu'Appelle: W. S. Stiff, E. B. Saunders, G. F. Bye.
No. 5—Indian Head, Indian Head: L. A. Hubbs, J R. Conn, W. C. McKillican.
No. 6—Qu'Appelle, Qu'Appelle: W. B. Tate, S. Edgecumbe, A. G. Rawlinson.
No. 9—Maple Creek, Maple Creek: S. T. Burt.
No. 11—N.W.M.P., Regina: Robt. A. Tate, H. R. Gordon.
No. 12—Yorkton, Yorkton: F. S. Meyers, D. M. Williams.
No. 14—Sintaluta, Sintaluta: G. Hill.
No. 16—Saskatchewan, Saskatoon: T. H. Reeve, E. H. Capindale, H. G. H. Gilding, W. H. Moor, W. E. Rose, F. L. Higgins, R. S. Wells, C. G. Schmitt, W. Todd, J. W. Estey, F. E. Smith-Jones.
No. 18—Melfort, Melfort: J. Hatton, R. Sage, W. Lonsdale.
No. 19—Battle, Battleford: A. J. Penn, W. A. MacNeill, P. S Gosling, H. S. May, W. L. Clink.
No. 20—Weyburn, Weyburn: C. P. Moore, B S. Fleury, G. Lythgoe.
No. 22—Rosthern, Rosthern: F. M. Hodson, A. K. Dewar, E. St. G. Hodson, J. E. Luke, E. C. Oliver, C. H. Wilker.
No. 25—Estevan, Estevan: J. A. Lackey, F. M. Gray, W. H. S. Glew.
No. 26—Swift Current, Swift Current: R. Clements, F. C. Hayes, F. J. Lundholm, E. E. Thurston.
No. 27—Alameda, Alameda—J. P. Gordon.
No. 30—New Hope, Stoughton: H. I. Shaw, D. A. Gilliland.
No. 31—Ionic, North Battleford: J. W. MacNeill, W. L. Lidster, R. F. McDonald, J. E. McLarty.
No. 33—Davidson, Davidson: F. G. Black, G. C. Jose.
No. 34—Lang, Lang: H. E. Downing.
No. 35—Prince Rupert, Humboldt: A. W. Robinson, D. H. Chivers.
No. 38—Ekapo, Broadview: W. S. E. Inglis.
No. 39—Boscurvis, Oxbow: H. T. Pickard, W. O. Fraser, R. Gillespie.
No. 40—Rouleau, Rouleau: H. L. Fowler.
No. 43—Ishpaming, Langham: F. B. O'Neil, J. G. Stockan, E. S. Humphreys, J. Tollerud, I. Selchen, A. C. Brown, P. Lepp, W. T. Woodley, A. R. Ramshaw, W. Palmer.

No. 45—Aurora, Theodore: G. T. Killam.
No. 49—Assiniboia, Regina: Douglas Fraser, F. A. Williamson, P. F. Winters.
No. 51—Touchwood, Punnichy: E. J. Medland, C. G. Shooter, C. E. Medland.
No. 53—Nanatah, Balcarres: F. Rhodes.
No. 54—Buchanan, Buchanan: A. C. Jennings, S. H. Edgar.
No. 56—Elbow View, Elbow: J. H. Middagh, R. J. Green, N. Ganes.
No. 58—King Solomon, Kamsack: H. M. Stewart, W. A. Higgins, H. M. Hamilton.
No. 59—Canora, Canora: H. Gleason.
No. 60—Imperial, Saskatoon: J. McGregor, V. L. Robertson, F. Cocks, J. A. Kenny, S. R. H. Pipe, W. Garvie, C. P. Seeley.
No. 62—Melville, Melville: J. E. Gibb, H. M. P. de Roche, H. Mackay, T. H. Sendall, R. B. Taylor.
No. 63—Prince Albert, Prince Albert: M. Musk, W. E. Cutt, R. W. Kirkby, S. J. A. Branion, T. F. Pickering.
No. 64—Manitou, Watrous: J. F. Geary, G. W. Cope, H. J. Hodge.
No. 65—Outlook, Outlook: J. C. Carter, F. G. Bridges.
No. 66—Wynyard, Wynyard: E. G. Brand, J. Young.
No. 68—Govan, Govan: J. O. Clarke, F. Passmore.
No. 69—Carrot River, Kinistino: J. R. Graham.
No. 70—Cypress, Gull Lake: H. Gamble.
No. 71—Doric, Moose Jaw: S. R. Stephens, H. F. M. Basing, W. Peters, N. R. Craig.
No. 73—Unity, Unity: J. H. Young, G. Knowles, A. F. Watson, J. M. Scott.
No. 74—Kilwinning, Adanac: A. M. Bell, R. J. McAuslan, H. G. Topley, A. Gordon, H. Armstrong.
No. 76—Tisdale, Tisdale: A. M. Fritshaw, D. Hunter, F. T. Fraser, L. W. Topham, M. Povey, J. Crane.
No. 77—Abernethy, Abernethy: K. A. Foster, E. W. Hartle, S. Lowe, A. O. Brooks, J. A. Stueck, D. Roszell, N. B. Williams.
No. 78—Tugaske, Tugaske: J. Stoddart, W. Matheson, R. Wilson.
No. 79—Foam Lake, Foam Lake: C. H. Burden.
No. 81—Tuscan, Semans: A. Richardson.
No. 83—Meridian, Macklin: W. E. Kilpatrick.
No. 85—Zealandia, Zealandia: G. S. Douglas, J. E. W. Kirby, R. MacRae, A. D. Fletcher, S. Garvie.
No. 86—Kindersley, Kindersley: C. F. Addison, C. C. Reid, B. A. Urie.
No. 87—Wadena, Wadena: Geo. Bridgman.
No. 89—Twin City, Sutherland: L. Stockwell, H. W. Robinson, J. F. Haldane.
No. 90—Kerrobert, Kerrobert: C. F. Mawhinney, J. I. Bell, F. W. Ball, J. E. Rodney, H. Wallin.
No. 91—Rosetown, Rosetown: N. B. Douglas, A. Wilson, W. McDougald, G. C. Wickett.
No. 92—Lodge Progress, Saskatoon: A. Milne, W. H. Prescott, W. J. Young, O. S. Wakeford, C. H. Harrell, E. Morrell, J. Mackie, J. A. Brittan, T. Graham, C. P. Klombies.
No. 93—Morse, Morse: M. L. Smith.
No. 95—Evergreen, Harris: J. B. Wilson.
No. 97—Radisson, Radisson: G. L. Campbell, A. M. Scott, R. A. Leslie.
No. 99—Goose Lake, Delisle: J. Pope.

No. 100—Biggar, Biggar: F. Hopkins, F. L. Watters, W. M. Smith, J. E. Calvert, R. P. Hassard.
No. 102—Invermay, Invermay: V. Schappert.
No. 104—King Hiram, Regina: P. E. Reed.
No. 105—Gothic, Luseland: F. E. Jaenicke, G. H. Downton, T. C. Eyre, F. J. Clark, J. C. Beck.
No. 106—St. John's, Assiniboia: J. C. McDougall.
No. 108—Long Lake, Liberty: R. MacEachern.
No. 110—Shaunavon, Shaunavon: N. A. Hall, R. L. Fisher, H McMahon, G. R. Binkley.
No. 112—Woodrow, Woodrow: G. W. Hooker, J. C. Cram.
No. 114—Central Butte, Central Butte: R. S. Hemsworth, W. Ratcliffe.
No. 115—Landis, Landis: A. C. Luffman, A. Huxley.
No. 117—Dundurn, Dundurn: P. S. Hordern, A. E. Hokanson.
No. 118—Paragon, Kelfield: W. J. Bowie, H. H. Rowan, G. H. Irvin, G. A. Weese.
No. 119—Cabri, Cabri: F. S. Millard.
No. 121—Simpson, Simpson: E. A. Mayo.
No. 123—Lancer, Lancer: H. Long, J. B. Cross, F. Leggott.
No. 124—Mount Hermon, Pennant: E. Housego.
No. 125—Latomia, Weyburn: R. J. Dand, J. D. MacKay, W. H. Hart.
No. 126—Cadillac, Cadillac: L. M. Ogilvie, A. Laurie, L. H. Bradley.
No. 127—Birch Hills, Birch Hills: J. R. Taylor.
No. 128—Meyronne, Meyronne: W. A. Wilkinson.
No. 130—Togo, Togo: R. F. Painter.
No. 131—Dinston, Dinsmore: G. W. Mogan, L. E. Jones.
No. 133—Philathea, Nokomis: R. J. Scott, W. A. Mason, G. B. Hamilton, G. Hummel.
No. 134—Eston, Eston: R. Parker.
No. 135—Elrose, Elrose: G. V. Wiggins, W. J. Cumisky, C. E. Hunter, S. J. Atwell.
No. 136—St. George, Moose Jaw: R. Rohead, H. Nickelson, R. Sandercock, W. W. Snider.
No. 137—Tyrian, Edam: D. Marr, P. W. Farnsworth, G. Hood.
No. 139—Riverhurst, Riverhurst: W. I. Cocks, B. Pomeroy, T. S Parker, A. R. Low.
No. 141—Progressive, Tompkins: D. A. Ketchin.
No. 142—Leader, Leader: L. R. McFayden.
No. 143—Hawarden, Hawarden: W. S. Jones, H. T. Kelly, E. A Hudson.
No. 144—Victory, Saskatoon: J. R. Young, J. T. Truscott, G. M. Ketcheson, H. D. Elliott, R. T. Blakeley, W. Dunbar, A Greaves, R. Thomson, K. Hailwood, T. Guest, J. Renshaw, R. W. Lindsay.
No. 146—Asquith, Asquith: E H. Trickey, H. J. Baldwin, V. W. Warren.
No. 147—Elstow, Elstow: J. E. Morgan, L. Gemmill.
No. 148—Dunblane, Dunblane: F. C. Taylor.
No. 149—Loverna, Loverna: S. Bowler, E. D. Goldsmith.
No. 152—Star City, Star City: L. J. Stead, C. W. Child, W. Tucker, M. S. Mooney, A. A. Campbell.
No. 154—Banner, Regina: A. C. Garner, W. J. Bourne, A. Cameron, A. E. Miscampbell.
No. 155—Raymore, Raymore: A. G. McLean, J. Tate.
No. 157—York, Churchbridge: H. Klein.
No. 158—Borden, Borden: T. A. Newsham, J. Saunders, A. K. Newbold, T. J. Ford, T. H. Wensley, E. Foster, H. S. Foster, N S. Smith.

No. 160—Cut Knife, Cut Knife: W. Perkins.
No. 162—Saltcoats, Saltcoats: E. A. Branion.
No. 163—Fillmore, Fillmore: L. Lockwood.
No. 165—St. Luke's, Plenty: H. M. Earle, R. L. Campbell.
No. 166—Wakaw, Wakaw. H. E. Stout, W. L. Porter.
No. 168—Earl Grey, Earl Grey: A. Binnie.
No. 172—Memorial, Moose Jaw: R. Mayes, A. Tait.
No. 173—Lakeview, Tessier: G. Hanson, G. H. Johnson, O. R. Mooney. A. W. L. Mann.
No. 174—St. Andrews, Regina: E. C. Bird, A. H. Westhaver, E. H. M Knowles.
No. 176—Gray, Gray: A. E. Staton.
No. 178—Norquay, Norquay: A. E. Wylie, J. Topham.
No. 181—Tuberose, Tuberose: R. L. Harper, G. L. Johnson, R. Smith,
No. 183—Nipawin, Nipawin: W. Connell.
No. 184—Osage, Osage: A. Shotter.
No. 185—Loyalty, Ruddell: T. Sawyer.
No. 186—Emulation, Regina. G. T. Tomsett, E. O. Walker, J. S. Turnbull, D. J. Pells.
No. 189—Herschel, Herschel: J. M. Ballentine, O. J. Turl, E. Rutherford.
No. 191—Macrorie, Macrorie: H. T. Blackwell, R. L. Manfield, W. H. Barrie.
No. 192—Sovereign, Sovereign: B. F. Piercey.
No. 196—Lacadena, Lacadena: W. E. Kimball, A. W. Edgar, D. A. McMillan.
No. 199—Admiral, Admiral: H. Elliott.
No. 200—Hudson Bay, Hudson Bay Junction: J. Foster, R. Jervis.

HONOURARY MEMBERS: Geo. F. Ellis, Past Grand Master; R. J. Bradley, Past Deputy Grand Master; W. E. Niblock, Past Grand Junior Deacon.

The Grand Master gave permission for all Master Masons, properly clothed and vouched for, to be admitted as visitors.

On motion of M.W. Bros. J. W. Estey and A. O. Brooks, it was resolved that: "The minutes of the 36th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the City of Regina on June 17th and 18th, 1942, as printed in the Proceedings and distributed, be taken as read and confirmed."

On motion of M.W. Bros. J. W. MacNeill and M. Musk it was resolved that: "Printed copies of the regulations for the government of Grand Lodge being in the hands of all representatives, they be taken as read and adopted."

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The following distinguished visitors were then escorted to the Altar:

M.W. Bro. Karl J. Mohr, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, was introduced by M.W. Bro. C. P. Seeley. The Grand Master welcomed Brother Mohr as follows:

"When I had the very great pleasure of representing this Grand Jurisdiction at the Centennial Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois I first met you. Since then I have followed your Masonic career with deep personal interest. As Grand Master you have given progressive leadership. You have represented your Grand Lodge in

the wider Masonic Councils of the United States with distinction and before the world with dignity. Your war services activity has been particularly outstanding.

"On the occasion of our visit you were charged with the duty of officially welcoming the visitors. I well remember that in the presence of that august group of 100 or more, even you lost for the moment your sang-froid and were at a loss for words. You then abandoned good American and addressed us in Swedish. Today a parallel situation confronts me. This is the land of the Cree Indians, a people with flair for oratory and so as you did, I shall have recourse to the aboriginal tongue and say to you:

'Ke-ta-ta-me-skat-tin
Keetch-ge-mo-ko-man'.

"We have no official interpreter and I cannot tell you how glad we are to have you here,—but we are, shall I say—VERY glad. I invite you to a place of honour in our Grand East."

M.W. Bro. Charles Davidson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana, was introduced by M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey. The Grand Master welcomed Brother Davidson as follows:

"In addressing you I speak as a P.G.M. of Montana to my Grand Master. The Grand Lodge of Montana is very close, Masonically, to the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. For a number of years we have exchanged Fraternal visits to our mutual advantage and pleasure. Constituent Lodges in our respective Jurisdictions visit back and forth, treating the International Boundary as an imaginary line. It is for them a symbol of unity, a circle taking them in, not a line separating them.

"In 1940 you visited us in the capacity of official Masonic representative and won our esteem. But you came then, in fact, as a friendly neutral and by your reassurances, and prophecies you won more—our affection. You now come as an ally and we welcome you in the same cordial and grateful spirit that our Commonwealth welcomed your great Nation as such, when events brought the United States into the war. When we visited your Grand Lodge last August you came in your car far out on the highway to give us personal welcome. You have come to us by way of Alberta where we were happy to meet and greet you. The spirit of brotherhood and love is not earth bound and I can truly say that we greeted you while you were yet afar off and in that spirit we shall accompany you when you go from us. We are happy you are here and tender to you and through you to all our good Montana Brethren warmest fraternal greetings. Be seated in our Grand East."

R.W. Brother S. Burland, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was introduced by R.W. Bro. J. C. Carter. The Grand Master welcomed Brother Burland as follows:

" 'Daughter am I in my mother's house but mistress in my own.'

"We welcome you as the official representative of our Mother Grand Lodge. Our relations with the Brethren of Manitoba are warm and close—they have always been so and grow more intimate from year to year. Last year when I represented this Grand Lodge at your meeting there were present so many of the Manitoba Brethren that

I had known Masonically, socially and professionally that I felt right at home. I trust that you will enjoy that same comfortable and 'homey' feeling among us. Bear back with you to M.W. Brother Parker and the Officers and members of your Grand Lodge our kindest personal regards and fraternal greetings from this Grand Lodge. I invite you to a seat in the Grand East throughout all the sessions."

M.W. Bro. R. J. Bradley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was introduced by R.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes. The Grand Master welcomed Brother Bradley as follows:

"Our relationship to you in this Grand Lodge is unique. You are here first as the Grand Master of our sister Jurisdiction of Alberta; second, as a Past Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. As such you owe us allegiance and similarly I as a P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Alberta acknowledge my allegiance to you as my Grand Master.

"If any further justification were necessary for extending a warm handclasp of welcome, your own worth and Masonic service would furnish it.

"We owe Alberta much for brotherly courtesies and Masonic services through the years. But recently you have laid on us a heavy debt by reason of acting as hosts and arranging for the Annual Conference of the four Western Grand Jurisdictions held in 1941 and 1942 and to be repeated this Fall. Out of this conference has come already great good for Freemasonry and through that for our Nation and our Cause. One must needs be a seer to foretell what will be the ultimate bounds of its usefulness. It is like the prairie horizons—further flung and wider the higher one ascends.

"On every count, personal, fraternal and official, you are **well — come.** We invite you to a seat of honour in the Grand East."

The Distinguished Visitors were then accorded Grand Honours.

Greetings and Regrets

Letters and telegrams were read from M.W. Bros. J. K. Irwin, J. R. Yorke, Past Grand Masters; S. H. Fahrni, Sam Harris, Honourary Past Grand Masters; R.W. Bro. J. H. G. Russell, Honourary Past Grand Secretary; R.W. Bros. R. H. Chant, Grand Representative Grand Lodge of Arkansas; F. C. Wilson, Chairman Committee on Finance; G. W. S. Eisnor, Grand Representative Grand Lodge of Maine, and E. R. Davis, D.D.G.M. No. 6, expressing disappointment at being unable to be present and conveying good wishes for a successful Communication.

A message was read from R.W. Bro. Geo. S. Burrows, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Quebec, tendering kindliest felicitations and all good wishes on the occasion of the 37th Annual Communication.

The following telegram was read from the Grand Lodge of North Dakota: "Message greatly appreciated heartily reciprocate greetings of Fraternal good will and friendship. We propose to give our all to win war and particularly the peace."

Grand Master's Address

The M.W. the Grand Master delivered the following address which, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. R. Young and W. Bro. R. T. Blakeley, was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address and Jurisprudence:

Brethren:

It is with great pleasure and keen anticipation of enjoyable and profitable intercourse that we welcome you, the accredited representatives of the constituent Lodges and those others who by service to the Order have earned the right to join in our Councils, to this the 37th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M. Of this fundamentally democratic institution this assembly is essentially the Parliament.

Your standing committees and officers of Grand Lodge will present the usual reports for your consideration; our special committees will submit for approval detail of activities initiated, under the wide prerogatives with which for the general good and welfare of the Craft, the Grand Master is invested; new legislation will be submitted for your consideration: time will be found, we trust, for much fraternal commingling among the brethren and with our distinguished visitors and for hearing something of music and oratory, all to the end that we may achieve the Great Design of being happy ourselves and of communicating that Happiness to others.

Again in comfort and security we meet in the beautiful University City of Saskatoon and in this perfect hostelry. We acknowledge gratefully the forethought and effort which the local brethren have expended. But, in a far greater measure, we now express our deep debt of gratitude to those, our defenders, through whose unselfish sacrifices the holding of this meeting at all is made possible.

What, in retrospect, seems but a short year ago you entrusted to us the high and responsible office of Grand Master. We now come to account to you for our performance of that trust and of our stewardship.

Following the close of Grand Lodge a meeting for instruction of the District Deputy Grand Masters was convened. Plans for the dates and program for District meetings and for the year's activities were discussed. A number of the officers of Grand Lodge attended and valuable information was exchanged and important conclusions reached. The meeting proved of great use in creating mutual understanding and insuring co-operation in effort toward the attainment of the objects of the order. In conformity with the provisions of the Constitution, Sec. 96, such meetings should be planned and regularly held each year.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

The itinerary and program as set out elsewhere in the Proceedings having been settled, the District Deputy Grand Masters took immediate steps to prepare for the meetings. In company with Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, between July 2nd and July 29th, we attended the seventeen district meetings. Afternoon and evening sessions were held,—the former being devoted largely to the exemplification of the Funeral ceremony and forum discussion on the publication of a Masonic bulletin and the continuance of the Grand Master's War Relief fund; the latter to the flag and rededicatory exercises and addresses. The

Province was at its best, laughing with the promise of an abundant harvest, decked in verdant green and garlanded with brilliant flowers. The attendance—averaging 68.3—was encouraging. We returned from our pilgrimage renewed in spirit and exalted by the knowledge that the great heart of Saskatchewan Freemasonry beats strong and that the institution was making steady progress, both in numbers and influence.

WAR MEASURES

and activities incidental thereto

1. **Past District Deputy Grand Master's Services.** — Because of the wartime restrictions on the use of gas and rubber we realized that it was unfair to ask District Deputy Grand Masters to exhaust their quotas in visiting and accordingly suggested that Past District Deputy Grand Masters in localities distant from the homes of District Deputy Grand Masters might be commissioned to represent them in the discharge of the duties of their offices. Where the requests were made, this expedient was put into effect and to those past officers who so willingly undertook and faithfuly performed this duty thanks is now tendered.

2 **Flag Ceremony and Rededicatory Exercises.** — Believing that now, as never before, the spiritual values should be emphasized we prepared and introduced at the District Meetings and thereafter requested the Lodges to use the Flag Ceremony regularly. Our flag is today a symbol of Liberty and a promise of Liberation to all the suppressed nations and as its guardians we should be ever mindful of the virtues it typifies and practice them as loyal subjects and champions of freedom. We deeply appreciate the splendid response of the Lodges to our wish in this matter and suggest that consideration be given to the continuance of the use of the ceremony, at least, for the duration of the war.

Of like significance was our continued use of the rededicatory exercises as introduced last year,—a ceremony reminding us of our great dependence, in this our present emergency, on the protection of Almighty God, invoking His aid and renewing our loyalty and allegiance to His Servant, Our King.

3 **Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund.**—With the unanimous concurrence of the District Deputy Grand Masters and later of the leaders of Saskatchewan Freemasonry in District Meetings assembled we sponsored a Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund. The concensus of opinion was that we should not, nay dare not, close this avenue for the exercise of Masonic benevolence when urgent need of further assistance might arise at any time either in the Old Land, on the far flung fringes of the Empire or even on our own shores. No objective was named and no quotas set;—it being our conviction that the gifts made should be, in the fullest sense, the voluntary expression of gratitude and brotherly affection of each individual and welcomed as an opportunity to repay, in some small measure, our debt to those who stood between us and defeat in those desperate days of 1940. The fund as of this date totals $13,169.77. The itemized and detailed report thereof will appear in the Grand Secretary's report. We tender our thanks and the thanks of corporate Saskatchewan Freemasonry to those who responded so generously to the appeal—thereby demonstrating the truly Masonic spirit and maintaining the honour and credit of the Order.

For the proper disposition of the Fund we continued the former special Committee on Distribution and stood ready to forward assistance on call to our Brethren in the Old Land. The Grand Secretary

has been in constant touch with the Grand Secretaries of England and Scotland, but, to date, no emergency has arisen and we are informed officially that there is no present need. We, therefore, recommend that the Fund be kept intact and available to meet emergencies if, as and when they arise and that if all or any part of the fund is not required ultimately for such purpose it be diverted to the Post War Masonic Scholarship scheme as announced and be allocated to the credit of the subscribing Lodges in proportion to the amount of their subscriptions respectively.

4. **Freemasonry and Youth.**—For some time past the Grand Secretary has studied the question of the ideal relationship of the Order to Youth with particular reference at this time to those who are engaged in the world struggle in which we are involved. He presented his conclusions in an address to the District Meetings, and suggested immediate and co-ordinated activities along practical lines. The response of the Brethren was enthusiastic. Accordingly we appointed a special committee charged with organizing the work and co-relating the efforts in the Constituent Lodges that we might unitedly make some worthwhile contribution both immediate and future. The activity has been developed progressively by stages directed, firstly, to immediate contact and service to our brethren and their sons and daughters in arms and, secondly, to preparing to assist and guide them in an orderly return to civilian life The details of the steps taken in this enterprise have been fully set forth in the Bulletins issued to the local committees, and latterly as published in "The Tracing Board". As a practical contribution to the rehabilitation of those who are giving themselves so freely for us and our cause, after consultation with and endorsation by Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary, we launched a Post-War Masonic Scholarship Scheme. It is essentially local in its incidence as to finance, administration and benefits and, as such, should appeal, not only in its wider implications, but in its actual working out. We commend it to the enthusiastic support of the Brethren and trust that our successor may have the joy of seeing it richly endowed. Out of this war and to be solved as a pre-requisite to a just and lasting peace emerge problems of reconstruction for the creation of a post war economy that will guarantee to all peoples everywhere the Freedoms for which we contend. "The blueprints must be drawn and the foundations laid now". We look for national and international policies to be defined by our Governments but in so doing they need guidance and advice and having formulated those plans will require the co-operation and support of individuals and organizations to perform community duties which no Government can do alone.

> "The common problem, yours, mine, everyones,
> Is not to fancy what were fair on earth,
> Provided it could be —but, finding first
> What may be, then find how to make it fair
> Up to our means—a very different thing."—Robert Browning.

Herein, then, lies a further great opportunity for service to our Youth, our Nation, our Empire, and Humanity. Direction in this further activity must be given to the Committees and the Lodges that they may familiarize themselves with these problems and then we, as citizens, give leadership toward their sane and sound solution.

Our thanks and that of our Institution are tendered herewith to the Central Committee for their fine leadership and to the Lodge Com-

mittees and Brethren for their hearty co-operation in this great enterprise.

5. **Uniform Programs.**—Acting in conjunction with our committee on Masonic Education, we assumed responsibilty for a uniform program in all Lodges in November. The assigned subject "The Cause We Serve", was based on a study of the Atlantic Charter. Judging by the reports received the object, being to appreciate the justice of our cause and to stimulate thought on post war problems, was achieved to a marked degree. For the December meeting a similar uniform program was sponsored by the Central Committee on War Services. The theme "Duty, Honour and Gratitude" epitomized our ideals of the relationship which should exist between those on the Home Front and those in the ranks. In this instance, as well, reports justify the conclusion that the effort was appreciated and the results attained worth while. We believe that such programs are welcomed by the Lodges. They give a sense of unity and widen our horizons. We suggest they might be extended with profit.

6. **"The Tracing Board."**—In some degree the launching of this publication arose out of war restrictions although we had for some time been convinced of its necessity. Confirmed in that view by resolutions adopted at District Meetings and opinions of individual brethren we went "to press" and in March the first issue appeared. Grand Lodge is fortunate in having as its Editor, Bro. G. E. Robins of Shaunavon—an experienced journalist and enthusiastic Mason. We believe that through this medium, not only will our corporate activities be better advanced, but, that it will be a means to unify and vitalize our organization. Of its success and usefulness we cherish fond hopes and deeply appreciate the reception and support accorded by the Lodges. The paid circulation has reached the total of 10,048 a really splendid response.

Throughout the pattern of these several activities, giving beauty to the design, run the bright thread of sacrificial services of the many individual members who practice daily the teachings of our Order and who "live their Masonry".

RULINGS

1. The chief item of ritual assigned for exemplification in District Meetings was the Graveside service of our Funeral Rite. We felt strongly that this ceremony had been neglected; that out of respect to the memory of the departed brother; in sympathy for the bereaved and for the credit of the Order before the public, attention to the fitting performance of this Rite should be given. We found the Brethren in hearty accord. To be assured that hereafter Worshipful Masters would be proficient in the ritual we did, pursuant to the authority vested in us by Section 42 of the Constitution rule as follows: "Evidence of his proficiency" in Section 129 of the Constitution (1941) shall be interpreted to apply to the authorized opening and closing ceremonies; the conferring of the established degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason and the conducting of the "service at the grave" as published in the "Masonic Funeral Service" issued under the authority of the said Grand Lodge."

In promulgating the ruling the Grand Secretary, at our request, introduced a memorandum covering instructions on "service at the Grave ceremony" to supplement and clarify the detail in the printed ritual. This has been of very real assistance to Worshipful Masters

and should be made available with the Funeral Ritual, to the need for the early revision of which we draw most urgently the attention of the Board of Custodians.

2. A Lodge having interpreted section 159 of the Constitution (1941) as permitting balloting on an application for initiation at a regular meeting to be followed by initiation at an emergent meeting convened immediately afterwards, on the matter coming to our attention, we concluded that such was not according to existing practice or the spirit of the Constitution, particularly in that it virtually nullified the effect of section 167 and accordingly ruled as follows:

"A subsequent meeting" within the provisions of section 159 of the Constitution, (1941) shall not be held prior to the seventh day after the day whereon the applicant for the degrees was declared eligible to be initiated.

EXTRA-JURISDICTIONAL VISITATIONS

1. Accompanied by the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary we attended the 78th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana held at Helena on August 19th and 20th, 1942, thereby, we trust, adding another golden link to the chain by which we are bound so happily to these Brethren, our allies. It was a wholly delightful excursion and we were the recipients of constant courtesy and kindness climaxed by our election to the Honorary rank of Past Grand Master, a dignity which we shall ever cherish jealously. Of particular personal satisfaction was the election as Grand Master of Most Worshipful Brother Charles Davidson, who at our 1940 communication won for himself such a warm spot in the hearts of our Brethren. It is our great pleasure again to welcome him among us both as an individual brother and in his official capacity.

2. Continuing our itinerary to Banff, we were joined by Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master and there enjoyed the very great privilege of attending, on August 21st and 22nd, the second annual Inter-Provincial conference of officers of the four Western Grand Lodges. Most Worshipful Brother Galbraith presided over a plenary conference of sixteen, each jurisdiction being fully represented. The following was the Agenda of discussions:

1. "Correlation of Activities of General Interest to Western Canadian Freemasonry": Most Worshipful Bro. Fraser and Right Worshipful Bro. Tate (Saskatchewan).
2. "The Indifferent Member": Most Worshipful Bro. Marchant (British Columbia).
3. "Masonic Education": Most Worshipful Bro. Fahrni (Manitoba).
4. "Adult Education": Right Worshipful Bro. Branion (Saskatchewan).
5. "War Relief Funds": Right Worshipful Bro. Dr. Brown (British Columbia).
6. "Youth": Right Worshipful Bro. Parker (Manitoba).
7. "Forum": Right Worshipful Bro. Bradley (Alberta).

The 'mechanics' of the conference were splendidly arranged and the social and fraternal features were particularly enjoyable. In our opinion the continuance of this joint enterprise is of vital importance to the progressive well-being of Western Canadian Freemasonry and not only should the official representatives under no circumstances fail,

but junior officers of Grand Lodge should also make every effort to attend. Most Worshipful Bro. Ellis discharged the duties of Secretary faithfully and efficiently and the official report of the several discussions is now on the Grand Secretary's desk where it may be examined and perused.

3. Matters of other concern made it necessary for us to be in Montreal on October 14th, 1942, the date of the 72nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. We accordingly accepted the cordial invitation of Most Worshipful Bro. Carswell to attend and conveyed fraternal greetings from this Grand Lodge. It proved to be a very pleasant and profitable interlude and we regret deeply that ill health has intervened to make impossible a return visit to this Communication by the Grand Master of Quebec.

4. As has become our invariable custom we eagerly accepted the invitation of the Grand Lodge of Alberta to attend its 38th Annual Communication held at Calgary on June 9th and 10th. The high standard of good fellowship for which Alberta Freemasons are justly famous was fully maintained and we were delighted to find our sister Grand Lodge thriving and Freemasons there, alive to their great responsibilities and opportunities for service and sacrifice. We welcome Most Worshipful Bro. Bradley here today, both for what he is and those he represents and tender through him warmest fraternal greetings to all Alberta Brethren.

5. It is our great pleasure to welcome here the official representative of our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba in the person of Right Worshipful Bro. S. Burland, Deputy Grand Master. May the pressure of our handclasp truly convey to him the depth of our regard for all our Manitoba Brethren.

We are delighted beyond words that Most Worshipful Bro. Mohr of the Grand Lodge of Illinois is here as honoured guest. He owed us a visit; he has discharged the obligation with usury. Most Worshipful Bro. Mohr has given superlative leadership in Freemasonry throughout the United States and, among other services rendered, in 1941 presided over the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington. To him we give the "Keys of Freedom" of the Temple and ask him to convey to the Brethren of his Grand Jurisdiction our warmest greetings and thanks.

In the course of our journeyings we have met, and come to know personally, all but one of the sitting Grand Masters in Canada, several in the neighboring states and a host of Past Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren, enriching our golden treasury of friendship with a hoard of imperishable wealth. We trust, too, that the bonds of fraternal affection and understanding between these several jurisdictions and ours have been strengthened thereby.

NECROLOGY

As is the course of nature in a fellowship so widespread as that of Freemasonry many of our Brethren during the year have been called to lay aside the tools of labour here to take them up again in the Grand Lodge above. Appropriate memorial pages in our Proceedings will record officially the roll of the departed workmen but the role they played and the work they did will be written on the enduring tablets of our hearts. To those of closer tie who survive them, we offer our deepest sympathy, ever remembering that underneath and round about those who mourn are the Everlasting Arms to uplift and sustain.

Nor would we forget at this time to lay a wreath of immortelles on the graves of those gallant youths who by land, sea or air, have died so nobly that Truth and Right might not perish from the earth. The memory of these crusaders will never die while Liberty survives. May we be worthy of their sacrifices:

"I only know that valor shall not die
When swift a fighter swings
About the bomb strewn meadows of the sky,
And on Icarian wings,
Can toss sweet youth away without a sigh
And perish as he sings."

On the tragic death, while on Active Service of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, the following message was despatched:

"Sydney A. White, Esq.,
Grand Secretary, A.F. & A.M.,
Freemason's Hall, London.

Dear Bro. Grand Secretary:

The Empire is shocked and grieved by the sad news of the tragic death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent. The Masonic world is more deeply stricken by the added loss which Freemasonry has suffered in the passing of your Most Worshipful Grand Master.

As a youth on his visits to this Province he won the friendship and admiration of all those with whom he came in contact. Later, on his war missions, he rendered very real service to the Allied cause. Throughout the pattern of all his relations his Masonry was woven like a golden thread.

In your great loss we would express to the United Grand Lodge of England and to all the Brethren thereof the heartfelt sympathy of the thirteen thousand Masons of Saskatchewan and request you, should you have the opportunity so to do, to convey our sentiments together with our expressions of loyalty to His Gracious Majesty, Our Royal Brother King George VI. May the Most High comfort and preserve him and all members of our Royal Family.

Fraternally yours,
Douglas Fraser,
Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M."

In due course the following acknowledgement was received:

"Buckingham Palace
11th September, 1942.

Dear Sir:

I am commanded by The King to ask you to convey to the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan the sincere thanks of His Majesty for their kind message of sympathy to himself and the Members of the Royal Family on the occasion of the death of The Duke of Kent, their Grand Master.

I am to assure you that this message has been greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,
A. H. I. Harding"

We extend to Sister Grand Jurisdictions our deepest sympathy in the losses which Freemasonry universal has sustained in the passing of the following eminent Brethren of whose deaths we have been notified officially during the year:

Alberta—J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

Arizona—H. A Morgan, Past Grand Master.

British Columbia—Wm. Astley, Past Grand Master.

California—W. P. Filmer, Past Grand Master.

Canada in Ontario—J. A. Rowland, Past Grand Master and Past Grand Treasurer.

Delaware—H. Galbraith, Past Grand Master.

Georgia—J. P. Bowdoin, Past Grand Master.

Idaho—P. Jones, Past Grand Master; J. E. Meek, Past Grand Master.

Indiana—H. B. Tuthill, Past Grand Master.

Louisiana—E. E. Sykes, Past Grand Master; J. W. Sylvester, Past Grand Master.

Kansas—G. O. Foster, Past Grand Master; A. A. Sharp, Past Grand Master.

Kentucky—H. H. Holeman, Past Grand Master; T. W. Pennington, Past Grand Master; S. K. Veach, Past Grand Master.

Maine—T. H. Bodge, Past Grand Master; J. B. Morrison, Past Senior Grand Warden; Rev. A. F. Walch, Past Grand Chaplain.

Manitoba—S. P. Matheson, Past Grand Master; J. C. W. Reid, Past Grand Master.

Minnesota—James D. Markham, Past Grand Master; J. L. Mitchell, Past Grand Master; Gustaf Widell, Past Grand Master.

Montana—M. D. Rowland, Past Grand Master.

North Dakota—H. Lord, Past Grand Master.

Ohio—Rev. H. D. Borley, Grand Chaplain; W. H. Maddox, Grand Tyler; S. H. Squire, Past Grand Master.

South Dakota—T. R. Stoner, Past Grand Master.

Vermont—W. J. Ballou, Past Grand Master; C. H. Stone, Past Grand Senior Deacon; G. I. Whitney, Past Grand Master; E. C. Woodworth, Past Grand Junior Deacon.

West Virginia—J. A. Bryan, Past Grand Master; J. W. deVebre, Past Grand Master; G. W. McClintic, Past Grand Master; T. W. Stobbs, Grand Tyler.

Washington—R. C. McCroskey, Past Grand Master; J. Neterer, Past Grand Master; E. H. Van Patten, Past Grand Master.

Wisconsin—D. A. Telfer, Past Junior Grand Warden; G. B. Wheeler, Past Grand Master and Past Grand Treasurer.

"Death is but a gate into a field; a door through an old wall."
"There is no Death!
What seems so is transition;
This life of mortal breath is but a suburb of the life elysian,
Whose portal we call death."—Longfellow.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

On the recommendation of the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges of Oregon, Mississippi, Illinois and Indiana, we approved the following appointments as Grand Representatives of this Grand Lodge near their respective Grand Lodges:

R.W. Bro. I. W. Hope, near the Grand Lodge of Oregon; Bro. Noble S. Kearney, near the Grand Lodge of Mississippi; R.W. Bro. Roscoe C. Clark, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois; R.W. Bro. Samuel B. Pettengill, near the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

DISPENSATIONS

In addition to the, more or less, routine dispensations necessary to be issued from time to time for the efficient functioning of Lodges we have been happy to issue a goodly number of permissions to confer degrees within the statutory period in order that Brethren in service might be accommodated. Summaries of all such will be duly furnished by the Grand Secretary.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE, 1942.

At this commemorative period our thoughts turned to the silence and the darkness which the exigencies of the war had imposed on our Brethren in the Old Land and of the contrast to our safety and well being, all as typified by the mute church bells, and in that spirit we sent out this Christmas message:

"When the Bells Ring

Through the long history of England the tongues of the bells have ever voiced the nation's joy and tolled the people's sorrow. On Remembrance Sunday the historic bells of England pealed and chimed, breaking the spell that had bound them silent for two long anxious years. They rang out a bouyant message of victory and hope. Deep emotions were stirred; the people rejoiced.

Each Yuletide the chimes reiterate the truth that when man has finally learned the way of life taught by Him who was born on Christmas Day then will be ushered in "Peace on Earth to Men of Good Will." With every dawning New Year the bells remind us of old traditions and broken resolutions and challenge us to new aspirations and nobler endeavour.

"Ring out the old; ring in the new
Ring out the false; ring in the true."

At this festive and commemorative season may the bells ring out fresh messages of hope and love to all good men everywhere; may you and yours at home, abroad, or in the battle line, be renewed in faith and united in spirit; may their sweet notes revive memories to solace and comfort those who sorrow and may they carry across the vibrant air an earnest Prayer for early Victory and lasting peace.

"Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be."

With our fraternal greetings and sincerest good wishes,

ROBERT A. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

DOUGLAS FRASER,
Grand Master.

Christmas 1942—New Year, 1943."

It gladdens our hearts to know that, indicative of the good success of our cause, the bells again are freed to toll throughout all the land of England. May they, ere another Christmas comes, be loosed in a paean of praise and thanksgiving for victory and peace.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

1. To the Grand Lodge of Scotland, which, in recognition of the contribution made by this Grand Lodge to assist the war-afflicted Brethren of Scotland, appointed Most Worshipful Bro. Seeley to the Honorary Rank of Grand Senior Warden of that Grand Body. We know of no one in whose person the honour could repose more suitably and on behalf of those who contributed to the Fund express grateful thanks for this kindly act.

2. To The Benevolent Fund Trustees, we now express deep appreciation, not only for the splendid demonstration of practical Masonic charity which they exercise from day to day on our behalf in administering the Fund entrusted to them, but for their sympathetic reception of our personal appeal which enabled our special committee on War Services to function. They thereby made possible this undertaking to which we were so whole heartedly committed both as a paramount duty and as an unique opportunity for applied Freemasonry to operate.

3. To our Special Committees on Masonic Education; War Services and Youth; on District Deputy Grand Masters; the Editorial Committee of the "Tracing Board" and particularly the editor, Bro. George E. Robins; to the District Deputy Grand Masters and those specially commissioned to assist them; the officers of Grand Lodge and the many Brethren, all of whom by innumerable services have contributed to the welfare and progress of the work, we tender heartfelt personal thanks and the gratitude of Grand Lodge.

4. To our capable Grand Secretary and those who so faithfully assist him in administering the affairs of our institution, we owe full measure of appreciation. Only one who has observed can testify adequately to the scrupulous care and efficient dispatch with which the multifarious duties of this important office are regularly discharged. In large measure any success attending our efforts has accrued from the unselfish and enthusiastic support tendered by Right Worshipful Bro. Tate. Of deeper significance, however, has been the mutual strengthening of the bond of friendship through the year's close association in office. Hereout arises one of our chief regrets that it is so soon to end.

In order that the financial affairs of the office might be put on an equitable and sound business basis and pursuant to the recommendation of our predecessor, we have consulted with and taken the opinion of those in whose judgment we have confidence and now recommend:

That a special committee of Grand Lodge composed of Most Worshipful Bros. Estey and Williams and Right Wor. Bro. Garner be now appointed to formulate forthwith a plan and thereupon put the same into effect to:

> Purchase for the Grand Secretary a deferred annuity of $100 per month beginning on retirement at age 65 under "Dominion Government Plan 'A' guaranteed 10 years."

Further that the said Committee do consider and report, with recommendations, to the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge to make:

(a) Provision for a minimum and maximum salary for the Grand Secretary with regular annual increases until such maximum is reached.

(b) Similar provision as to salary schedules for the Grand Lodge office staff.

(c) On a survey of the sources of revenue and the expenditures of Grand Lodge, provision for the re-organization of its finances.

Through the vision and co-operation of the Trustees and by reason of economies put into effect this year it is now financially possible to introduce these measures which are long overdue and which should in fact have been our established policy at the formation of Grand Lodge.

6. To all Lodges and Brethren who have shared our anxiety during the year and by kindly words and unobtrusive deeds have renewed our hope, lightened the load and given us a new experience of what Masonic love really means, and likewise to those in whose joys and sorrows we have had the rare privilege of sharing somewhat intimately, we now tender heartfelt thanks.

CONCLUSION

The year is closed, my Brethren,—an anxious year heavy with the impending doom and tragedy of global strife. Yet, strong in the belief in the justice of our cause and with faith in God we have stood firm until today the clouds of darkness are being dissipated and "we see the light at the end of the tunnel". As did our ancient Brethren "which builded on the wall and they that bear burdens with those that laded, everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work and with the other hand held a weapon and they laboured in the work from the rising of the sun till the stars appeared for the people had a mind to work," (Neh. IV-17), so we must unite the sword of Knighthood and the trowel of Masonry in the same impelling service.

War, even a 'righteous' war, with hate unloosed and death rampant, poisons people morally. For it the only antidote is the steadfast practice of the Christian ethic as embodied in our Masonic Creed, so well defined over three decades ago by an eminent Brother as follows: "the cause of human progress is our cause; the enfranchisement of human thought our supreme wish; the freedom of human conscience our mission and the guarantee of equal rights to all peoples everywhere the end of our contention." Not only must this be our ideal for the duration but we must carry it over into the even more difficult days of reconstruction. "After the war is won, then will come the challenge to Masonry and the Christian Church and to every character building institution in the land. Then we shall have to build up our ruined civilization by the teachings of Masonry, by education and by character building. Then will be ushered in a great program of missionary activities to remove from peoples' minds the lies, the poisonous propaganda, the hates and the false standards planted there in these later years."

It is my fond hope and firm belief that, even as Saskatchewan Freemasons have in the past year increased in numbers, so too, have they widened their spiritual horizons; grasped the inner significance and implications of the cause we serve and come to realize that the Masonic philosophy is not a fine spun theory, not an empty profession, but a practical way of life sufficient even unto this day. If that belief is, in fact, universally justified Masonically, then surely will Justice, Right and Truth again triumph over the three assassins—Ignorance, Tyranny and Fanaticism.

For although "the universe is more like thought than thing" and is essentially spirit, it is nevertheless an actual functioning activity. Liberty, Equality and Fraternity though of the Spirit, will survive and operate. The Spirit of the New Order, as of the Old, will be grounded on belief in the Brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God. This is a workable theory,—the ideal and the real must be united to guarantee peace and security. We must have "an indivisible peace" and a positive program. A negative or faltering after-the-war policy will mean certain chaos. To applaud such sentiments is one thing; to practise them another. Men of our Order are of the people who will recreate and renew this spirit of Brotherhood and will put into effect these ideals. In handing the gavel, symbol of power and authority, to our successor, we do so in the firm confidence that with vision and assurance, he will lead us on in this great work which lies ready to our hands.

"No coward soul is mine
No trembler in the world's storm-troubled sphere,
I see Heaven's glories shine,
And faith shines equal, arming me from fear."—Bronte.

It has been our peculiar pride to have been the first Saskatchewan-born Mason to occupy this high office of Grand Master, and in saying farewell as such, we tender heartfelt thanks for a year of great opportunity and rich experience and utter the fervent prayer, "May God bless us everyone".

Fraternally,

DOUGLAS FRASER,
Grand Master.

Report of Grand Treasurer

The Grand Treasurer, R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner, submitted the following report, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. A. C. Garner and S. J. A. Branion, was received and with the Report of the Auditor, referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

I have pleasure in submitting my report as your Treasurer and attach hereto Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended March 31st, 1943.

The details of the Assistance Payments from the Benevolent Fund will be found in the report of the President of the Board of Trustees.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
Year Ended March 31st, 1943.

GENERAL FUND

Receipts:

Cash on Hand and in Bank, April 1st, 1942.....	2,330.47

Dues and Fees:		
Membership Dues	6,618.60	
Initiation Fees	1,520.00	
Affiliation Fees	113.00	
Commuted Life Memberships	351.60	
Past Masters and Other Certificates	110.00	
On Account of Dues in Arrears	22.20	
		8,735.40
General Receipts:		
Dispensations	219.00	
Sale of Supplies	478.95	
Interest on Bonds	844.64	
Benevolent Fund Grant	1,000.00	
Educational Fund Grant for Freemasonry and Youth	500.00	
		3,042.59
		$14,108.46
Payments:		
Salaries and Honoraria:		
Grand Secretary	3,000.00	
Grand Treasurer	200.00	
Grand Tyler	15.00	
Stenographer and Assistant	1,135.00	
Committee on Foreign Correspondence	200.00	
Stenographer—Grand Lodge	10.00	
Auditor	250.00	
		4,810.00
Travelling:		
D.D.G.M's	851.50	
Grand Master	380.59	
Grand Secretary	434.10	
Board of General Purposes	464.80	
General	238.28	
		2,369.27
Unemployment Insurance	14.04	
Office Rent	1,080.00	
Printing Proceedings	532.86	
Sundry Stationery and Supplies	335.69	
Safety Deposit Box Rent	5.00	
Postage and Excise	568.29	
		2,535.88
Historic Album	94.51	
Grand Lodge Expense	148.86	
Telephone and Telegraph	114.05	
Light	23.11	
Post Office Box Rent	8.00	
Flowers	26.69	
Grand Master's Regalia	251.00	
Sundry	51.33	
		717.55
		10,432.70

Retiring Allowance—Honorary Grand Secretary	1,200.00	
Freemasonry and Youth:		
Stationery and Printing	218.34	
Postage	107.57	
		1,525.91
		11,958.61
Cash on Hand and in Bank—March 31st, 1943.		2,149.85
		$14,108.46

BENEVOLENT FUND

Receipts:		
Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1942.		3,355.91
Initiation Levies	3,800.00	
Per Capita Tax	4,614.80	
Bank and Bond Interest	17,787.76	
Lodge Contributions	140.47	
Collection on Fedyk Agreement	97.00	
Bond Principal	485.00	
Dues in Arrears	14.80	
		26,939.83
		$30,295.74
Payments:		
Grant to General Fund		1,000.00
Expenses of Trustees		80.16
Bank for Custody of Bonds		100.00
Bonds purchased		6,006.18
Assistance less refunds		13,643.00
		20,829.34
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1943.		9,466.40
		$30,295.74

ELWOOD TRUST

Receipts:	
Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1942	139.96
Interest on Bond and Savings	20.71
	$160.67
Payments:	
Care of Grave.	12.15
Cash in Bank March 31st, 1943.	148.52
	$160.67

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Receipts:

Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1942	718.33
Interest on Bond and Savings	97.29
Interest on Loans	62.00
Loan repayments	255.76
	$1,133.38

Payments:

Grant for Freemasonry and Youth	500.00
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1943	633.38
	$1,133.38

TRACING BOARD ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Subscriptions received	1,013.75

Payments:

Printing, Wrapping and Mailing	69.33
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1943	944.42
	$1,013.75

GRAND MASTER'S WAR RELIEF FUND

Receipts:

Cash in Bank, April 1st, 1942		3,067.47
Contributions:		
Lodges	14,487.62	
Miscellaneous	400.00	
		$14,887.62
		$17,955.09

Payments:

United Grand Lodge of England		5,000.06
Cash in Bank, March 31st, 1943	11,310.04	
Cash on Hand (Collections during April, 1943)	1,644.99	
		$12,955.03

Fraternally submitted,

Audited and found correct:

W. G. SMITH, C.A.,
Auditor.

A. C. GARNER,
Grand Treasurer.

Auditor's Report

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.,
Regina, Saskatchewan.

I have audited the books and records of your Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for the year ended March 31st, 1943, and submit herewith the following schedules and reports:

Exhibit A—Balance Sheets
Exhibit B—General Fund—Revenue and Expenditure Account
Exhibit C—Benevolent Fund, Educational Fund, Elwood Trust, Committee on Freemasonry and Youth and Tracing Board—Revenue and Expenditure Accounts
Exhibit D—Consolidated Surplus Account
Exhibit E—Grand Master's War Relief Fund Receipts and Disbursements
Schedule A—Schedule of Investments

I have verified all investments shown on the Balance Sheet, either by examination thereof or by certificate of custody from the Royal Bank of Canada.

Exhibit E sets forth the Receipts and Disbursements of the "Grand Master's War Relief Fund" as shown by the records of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. Receipts during April, 1943, in connection with this Fund have been included in the total and shown as cash on hand as at March 31st, 1943.

I hereby certify that, in my opinion, the Balance Sheets set forth correctly the affairs of the Grand Lodge as at March 31st, 1943, and that the Revenue and Expenditure Accounts show correctly the operations for the year, according to the information and explanations given me and as shown by the books of the Grand Lodge.

W. G. SMITH,
Chartered Accountant.

Regina Saskatchewan,
April 30th, 1943.

Exhibit A—BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31st, 1943.

GENERAL FUND

Assets:

Cash on Hand and in Bank	2,149.85	
Cash in Bank—Tracing Board Account	944.42	
		3,094.27
Lodge Dues in Arrears		103.90
Supplies for Resale		1,254.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,155.00	
Regalia	660.00	
		1,815.00
Investments—Schedule A	14,208.00	
Accrued Interest	311.00	
		14,519.00
		$20,786.17

Liabilities:		
Niblock Trust		6.10
Reserve for Prepaid Subscription to the Tracing Board		944.42
Unexpended grant for Freemasonry and Youth		174.09
Surplus		19,661.56
		$20,786.17

BENEVOLENT FUND

Assets:		
Cash in Bank		9,466.40
Lodge dues in Arrears		83.10
Investments—Schedule A	356,627.13	
Accrued Interest	5,674.00	
		362,301.13
		$371,850.63
Liabilities:		
Revenue Surplus		21,117.69
Capital Surplus		350,732.94
		$371,850.63

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Assets:		
Cash in Bank		633.38
Advance to Teachers		393.35
Investment—Schedule A	1,595.00	
Accrued Interest	3.75	
		1,598.75
		$2,625.48
Liabilities:		
Surplus		2,625.48
		$2625.48

ELWOOD TRUST

Cash in Bank		148.52
Investment—Schedule A	370.25	
Accrued Interest	8.00	
		378.25
		$526.77
Liabilities:		
Elwood Trust		526.77
		$526.77

Exhibit B—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
Year Ended March 31st, 1943
GENERAL FUND

Revenue:		
Dues and Fees		8,713.20
Dispensation Fees		219.00
Interest earned on Bonds		818.64
Profit on Sale of Supplies		353.50
Grant from Benevolent Fund		1,000.00
		11,104.34
Net Deficit to Surplus Account		598.36
		$11,702.70
Expenditure:		
Salaries and Honoraria:		
Grand Secretary	3,000.00	
Grand Treasurer	200.00	
Grand Tyler	15.00	
Stenographer and Assistant	1,135.00	
Committee on Foreign Correspondence	200.00	
Stenographer Grand Lodge	10.00	
Auditor	250.00	
		4,810.00
Traveling:		
D.D.G.M's	851.50	
Grand Master	380.59	
Grand Secretary	434.10	
Board of General Purposes	464.80	
General	238.28	
		2,369.27
Office Rent	1,080.00	
Printing Proceedings	532.86	
Sundry Stationery and Supplies—Net	335.69	
Safety Deposit Box Rent	5.00	
Post Office Box Rent	8.00	
Postage and Excise—Net	568.29	
		2,529.84
Grand Lodge Expense	148.86	
Telephone and Telegraph	114.05	
Historic Album	94.51	
Light	23.11	
Flowers	26.69	
Grand Master's Regalia	151.00	
Unemployment Insurance	14.04	
Sundry	51.33	
		623.59
		10,332.70
Retiring Allowance—Honorary Grand Secretary		1,200.00
		11,532.70
Depreciation—Furniture and Fixtures	120.00	
Regalia	50.00	
		170.00
		$11,702.70

Exhibit C—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT.
Year Ended March 31st, 1943.

BENEVOLENT FUND

Revenue:		
Initiation Levy		3,800.00
Per Capita Tax		4,614.80
Donations		140.47
Collections Fedyk Agreement		97.00
		8,652.27
Interest Earned		17,504.76
		$26,157.03
Expenditure:		
Assistance less refunds		13,643.00
Grant to General Fund		1,000.00
Expenses of Board of Trustees		80.16
Bank for Custody of Bonds		100.00
		14,823.16
Transferred to Revenue Surplus	2,681.60	
Transferred to Capital Surplus	8,652.27	
		11,333.87
		$26,157.03

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Revenue:	
Interest Earned	159.29
Deficit for the Year	340.71
	$500.00
Expenditure:	
Grant to Committee on Freemasonry and Youth	$500.00

ELWOOD TRUST

Revenue:	
Interest Earned	$20.71
Expenditure:	
Care of Grave	12.15
Surplus for Year	8.56
	$20.71

TRACING BOARD

Revenue:	
Subscriptions Received	$1,013.75
Expenditure:	
Printing, Wrapping and Mailing	69.33
Reserve for Unexpired Subscriptions	944.42
	$1,013.75

COMMITTEE ON FREEMASONRY AND YOUTH

Receipts:		
Grant from Educational Fund		500.00
Expenditure:		
Postage	107.57	
Printing and Stationery	218.34	
		325.91
Balance Unexpended		$ 174.09

Exhibit D—CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT
Year Ended March 31st, 1943

Balance April 1st, 1942		383,742.87
Net Gain—Benevolent Fund Capital	8,652.27	
Benevolent Fund Revenue	2,681.60	
		11,333.87
		395,076.74
Net Deficit—General Fund	598.36	
Educational Fund	340.71	
		939.07
Total Surplus—March 31st, 1943		$394,137.67

Exhibit E—GRAND MASTER'S WAR RELIEF FUND
Year Ended March 31st, 1943

Receipts:		
Balance on hand April 1st, 1942		3,067.47
District No. 1	992.65	
2	2,131.82	
3	1,126.38	
4	526.50	
5	1,996.93	
6	644.60	
7	625.00	
8	559.00	
9	410.50	
10	554.46	
11	638.19	
12	1,113.92	
13	970.03	
14	806.76	
15	361.50	
16	502.88	
17	526.50	
In memory of M.W. Bro. S. C. Burton	100.00	
Regina Chapter Rose Croix	100.00	
Regina Lodge of Perfection	200.00	
		14,887.62
		17,955.09
Remittance to United Grand Lodge of England		5,000.06
Cash in Bank—March 31st, 1943	11,310.04	
Cash on Hand (Collections during April 1943)	1,644.99	
		$ 12,955.03

Schedule A—INVESTMENTS AS AT MARCH 31st, 1943.

BENEVOLENT FUND

			Face Value	Book Value
Province of Saskatchewan Bonds:				
5½%	1952		2,000.00	1,868.00
4 %	1955–60		3,000.00	2,106.00
5 %	1959		7,000.00	6,200.00
4 %	1957		1,000.00	752.40
4 %	1960		3,000.00	2,070.00
5 %	1954	F.R. F.L.	50,000.00	45,798.30
4½%	1956		1,000.00	977.50
5 %	1959		15,000.00	13,050.00
5 %	1954		1,000.00	824.00
4½%	1957		5,000.00	4,610.10
5 %	1960	F.R. F.L.	86,400.00	85,582.05
4 %	1960		2,000.00	1,661.60
5 %	1958		22,000.00	19,405.00
4 %	1955–60		1,000.00	702.00
6 %	1952		16,000.00	15,559.25
4½%	1957	F.L.	5,400.00	4,861.60
4½%	1960		2,000.00	1,595.00
4½%	1955		3,000.00	2,382.90
4½%	1960		2,000.00	1,530.00
4½%	1955		2,000.00	1,786.76
5 %	1958		1,000.00	870.98
Dominion Government Guaranteed Bonds:				
5 %	1954	C.N.R. F.R.	40,500.00	44,932.00
4½%	1956	C.N.R.	5,000.00	5,278.00
3 %	1950	C.N.R.	2,000.00	1,940.00
3 %	1954–59	C.N.R.	2,000.00	1,945.00
3 %	1962	G.T.P. £400		1,954.68
3 %	1948–52	C.N.R. F.R.	3,000.00	2,925.00
Dominion of Canada Bonds:				
3¼%	1948–52		3,000.00	3,000.00
3 %	Perp.	Callable after 1966	5,000.00	4,825.00
3 %	Perp.		3,000.00	2,651.25
3⅛%	1948	War Savings Certificates	600.00	480.00
4 %	1945		500.00	510.00
4½%	1948–58		1,000.00	1,050.00
3¼%	1951		3,000.00	2,970.00
3 %	1953–58		3,000.00	2,970.00
3¼%	1956–66		1,000.00	990.00
3 %	1951		4,500.00	4,500.00
3 %	1954		1,000.00	1,000.00
3 %	1956		6,000.00	6,000.00
Sundry Bonds:				
6½%	1951	Regina School District	2,000.00	2,126.00
6 %	1952	Saskatoon City	1,000.00	1,054.00
6½%	1951	City of Regina	3,000.00	3,088.00
4½%	1959	City of Saskatoon	10,000.00	8,758.00
5 %	1959	City of Saskatoon	1,000.00	950.50
5 %	1953	City of Moose Jaw	2,000.00	1,960.60
5 %	1957	City of Regina	3,000.00	3,014.00
5 %	1959	City of Regina	5,000.00	4,875.00
4 %	1966	City of Prince Albert R.S.	12,166.66	6,691.66
5 %	1961	City of Saskatoon	21,000.00	19,995.00
			£400 $375,066.66	$356,627.13

GENERAL FUND

5½%	1946	Province of Saskatchewan ..		4,000.00	4,075.00
4 %	1957	Province of Saskatchewan.. ..		12,000.00	7,800.00
5 %	1957	City of Regina		2,000.00	2,011.00
3 %	1962	G.T.P. Dominion Government Guaranteed	£100		322.00
			£100	$18,000.00	$14,208.00

EDUCATIONAL FUND

4½%	1960	Province of Saskatchewan ..		$2,000.00	$1,595.00

ELWOOD TRUST

4 %	1960	Province of Saskatchewan.. .. .		$500.00	$370.25

Grand Secretary's Report

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, submitted the following report which, on motion of R.W. Bros. Robt. A. Tate and J. R. Young, was received and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

My annual report as Grand Secretary is presented herewith:

District Meetings

Immediately after the close of the last Annual Communication the Grand Master and I developed a programme and itinerary for the annual District Meetings (see appendix). The programme called for an afternoon and evening session. Your Grand Secretary attended all District Meetings and at the afternoon session, as a member of the Board of Custodians of The Work, directed the exemplification of the Funeral Ceremony and gave instruction in the Board of Installed Masters. At the evening session I delivered an address on "Freemasonry and Youth."

Proceedings, Commissions, Etc.

The Proceedings of the 36th Annual Communication were compiled, printed and distributed within six weeks after the Communication.

The mimeographing and printing and sending out of the monthly papers of the Committee on Masonic Education; the Bulletins of the Grand Master's Committee on Freemasonry and Youth; letters of instruction and information with reference to District Meetings, Semi-Annual Returns; lists of elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers, Suspensions, Rejections and Restorations; Notices of Motion to amend the Constitution; the notice calling the 37th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, received prompt and careful attention.

Commissions to fill vacancies as Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near Sister Grand Lodges were prepared and issued as stated in the Address of the Grand Master.

Certificates for appointed and elected Grand Lodge Officers, M.M. Certificates, P.M. Certificates and L.M. Certificates, were promptly prepared and issued as required.

A Christmas Message from the Grand Master and Grand Secretary was prepared and sent to all Lodges and Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The work of the office is up-to-date.

Special Commissions

In view of the emergency, and particularly of the restriction of the use of gasoline and rubber, the M.W. the Grand Master evolved a plan whereby a number of past D.D.G.M's. in each District would deputize for the D.D.G.M. and visit certain designated Lodges on his behalf, if such were the wish of the D.D.G.M. The majority of the D.D.G.M's. expressed their desire to take advantage of this plan and immediately after the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge the necessary special commissions were issued.

Dispensations

The following Special Dispensations have been issued by direction of the M.W. the Grand Master. A number of these were to facilitate the conferring of Degrees on applicants serving in His Majesty's Forces:

To attend Divine Service wearing regalia: 46.
To Elect, Install, or Elect and Install at other than date set: 22.
To transact regular business at time other than as set by Bylaw: 7.
To act on petition from without Jurisdiction of Lodge: 2.
To receive and act on petition from applicant not physically perfect: 1.
To confer degrees short of time: 4.
To heal irregularity of conferring degrees short of time: 2.
To confer Life Membership without Constitutional requirements: 12.
Dispensations re applicants serving in His Majesty's Forces: 64.

Returns

The following is a synopsis compiled from the Semi-Annual Returns for August 1942 and February 1943:

Total membership February 28th, 1942			12,074
Membership, Feb. 28th, 1942, on whom G.L. dues payable			10,969
Add—Initiated	380		
Affiliated	113		
Restored	79		
		572	
Deduct—Demitted	197		
Suspended	133		
Deaths	148		
Commuted Life Members	48		
		526	
Membership, Feb. 28th, 1943, on whom G. L. dues payable			11,015
Commuted Life Members, Feb. 28th, 1942	1,105		
Added during year	48		
Deaths, Commuted Life Members	39		
		1,114	
Total Membership, Feb. 28th, 1943			12,129
Net Gain			55
Total number of Chartered Lodges			198

Total Initiates—Net Loss, Net Gain

The following table is compiled from the records of Grand Lodge. We record a small net gain in membership this year for the first time since the year 1931, in which year the net gain was 24.

	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Initiates...	217	198	151	169	193	253	245	265	295	337	315	380
Net Loss..	353	530	499	476	224	169	179	144	124	86	83	..
Net Gain	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.	. .	55

Financial Statement

All fees, dues, etc. owing to Grand Lodge for the year ended March 31st, 1943, have been paid with the exception of the following amounts:

	General Fund	Benevolent Fund
Heward Lodge No. 29	$ 13.80	$ 9.20
Verwood Lodge No. 177	12.00	8.00
Herbert Lodge No. 180.	59.80	39.20
	$ 85.60	$ 56.40

The following is a summary of the financial transactions of the office:

Receipts—General Fund		$11,951.74
	Benevolent Fund	27,381.33
	Educational Fund	415.05
	Elwood Trust	20.71
		$39,768.83
Deposits—General Fund		$11,951.74
	Benevolent Fund	27,381.33
	Educational Fund	415.05
	Elwood Trust.	20.71
		$39,768.83

The Benevolent Fund receipts listed above include the following voluntary contributions: Gothic Lodge No. 105—$95.65; Mossbank Lodge No. 129—$20.00; Sceptre Lodge No. 140—$14.82; Dunblane Lodge No. 148—$10.00. They also include an amount of $388.50, being refunds of grants.

Fifty-Year Gold Buttons

The required proof of fifty years' membership having been filed with the office, buttons were issued to Lodges as indicated herewith:

To Evening Star Lodge No. 10 for presentation to W. Brother R. B. Bennett.

To N.W.M.P. Lodge No. 11 for presentation to Brother W. G. Haultain.

To Estevan Lodge No. 25 for presentation to V.W. Brother James A. Smith.

To Tugaske Lodge No. 78 for presentation to Brother James Stoddart.

The Tracing Board

The assembling of the material, proof-reading, supervision of distribution and general administrative work pertaining to the publication of The Tracing Board receives prompt and careful attention.

Conference of Western Canadian Grand Lodges

In company with the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master I attended the second Annual Conference of Western Canadian Grand Lodges in Banff, Alberta, on August 21st and 22nd. There is no question as to the great value to Western Canadian Freemasonry of this annual meeting

of the leaders of the Craft in our several Jurisdictions. Problems of common interest are discussed thoroughly and all have the benefit of the best thought of the senior active Officers of our Grand Lodges. I am satisfied that each annual gathering will become increasingly valuable. We are fortunate in having the services of an efficient Secretary and capable organizer in the person of M.W. Brother George Ellis.

Visitations

On August 19th and 20th I had the pleasure, in company with our Grand Master, of attending the 68th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana in the City of Helena.

On instructions of the Grand Master I attended a meeting of Kelvington Lodge No. 179, at Kelvington, on October 15th, 1942, and assisted in solving problems with reference to the future of the Lodge. On May 26th, 1943, I attended a similar meeting of Wawota Lodge No. 150 at Wawota.

In addition to the above I attended a large number of meetings in Regina and outside points but, as a result of the heavy work in the Grand Lodge office, I was unable to accept invitations to many other meetings equally as important and deserving of attendance by your Grand Secretary. I wish to make reference to an Emergent Meeting of Emulation Lodge No. 186, Regina, on Saturday afternoon, December 26th, 1942. On this occasion Brother George Franklin Smith Clarke, Fellowcraft Member of Govan Lodge No. 68, son of M.W. Brother J. Orville Clarke, was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. He is a Pilot Officer in the R.C.A.F. and was home on leave before proceeding Overseas. Your Grand Secretary considered it a privilege to participate in the work of the degree. The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Douglas Fraser, and Past Grand Masters, M.W. Brothers W. M. Martin, F. B. Reilly, N. B. Williams, W. J. Smith, J. R. Yorke and J. K. Irwin also took part in the work.

Freemasonry and Youth

The committee appointed by our Grand Master devoted its energies to the guiding of our Lodges in their War Service activities. Monthly bulletins were originally mimeographed and sent out from the Grand Lodge office, and latterly appeared in print in "The Tracing Board." On special forms provided for the purpose detailed information with respect to every Saskatchewan Mason and the sons and daughters of Saskatchewan Masons, serving in His Majesty's Forces, is being obtained from the Lodges quarterly. The detail is then transferred to a card index and will be of great help to the committee in the work that lies ahead.

Death of the Grand Secretary of Alberta

John Henry William Shore Kemmis, Past Grand Master, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, passed away on October 13th, 1942. Veteran of the Reil Rebellion, pioneer rancher, member of the Alberta Legislature for ten years, and an active Freemason for fifty-two years, John Kemmis was loved and respected by everyone with whom he came in contact. He visited our Grand Lodge in June 1940. The great contribution made by our late Brother as a Canadian citizen and as a Freemason will be his lasting memorial.

Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund

The administrative work in connection with the Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund received prompt and careful attention. Following is a detailed statement of the Fund as at June 2nd, 1943:

Amount carried forward from Grand Master's First War Relief Fund					$ 476.91
Proceeds—Collection annual Church Service Regina Lodges, May 2nd, 1943					30.62
District No. 1;					
Kinistino	$ 210.00	Birch Hills	$ 38.00		
Duck Lake	Nil	Star City	71.50		
Melfort	49.50	Wakaw	27.00		
Rosthern	Nil	Shellbrook	15.00		
Prince Albert	148.15	Nipawin	72.00		
Carrot River	29.00	Pleasantdale	Nil		
Tisdale	166.00			$ 826.15	
District No. 2;					
Wascana	175.50	Corinthian	53.00		
N.W.M.P.	348.73	King Hiram	207.00		
Golden Rule	81.00	Banner	165.50		
Rouleau	120.39	Milestone	38.00		
Drinkwater	25.00	St. Andrew's	129.00		
Assiniboia	206.50	Gray	28.00		
Craik	60.00	Emulation	95.50	1,733.12	
District No. 3;					
Moose Jaw	312.00	Mossbank	20.00		
Caron	28.00	St. George	211.39		
Eyebrow	25.00	Avonlea	51.00		
Doric	70.00	Sharon	20.00		
Tugaske	110.00	Memorial	76.00		
Briercrest	Nil	Mazenod	22.00		
Mortlach	10.00	Chaplin	36.13		
Central Butte	75.00			1,066.52	

District No. 4;

Qu'Appelle Valley	75.25	Cupar	Nil	
Indian Head	85.00	Nanatah	109.00	
Qu'Appelle	13.00	Abernethy	130.50	
Sintaluta	49.50	Earl Grey	15.25	
Wolseley	Nil			477.50

District No. 5;

Saskatchewan	414.00	Evergreen	29.00	
Hanley	50.00	Goose Lake	Nil	
Davidson	85.00	Dundurn	52.00	
Ishpaming	28.00	Victory	105.00	
Imperial	353.00	Asquith	22.00	
Twin City	90.00	Elstow	45.25	
Lodge Progress	405.00	Lakeview	45.00	1,723.25

District No. 6;

Weyburn	135.00	Ogema	56.00	
Lang	23.00	Latomia	154.50	
Bruce	Nil	Radville	54.00	
Golden Fleece	Nil	Osage	22.00	
Yellow Grass	48.00	Colfax	28.50	
Ceylon	25.00			546.00

District No. 7;

Battle	53.00	Borden	100.00	
Britannia	Nil	Cut Knife	Nil	
Ionic	50.00	Lonach	30.00	
Landmark	80.00	Loyalty	50.00	
Radisson	66.00	Turtleford	68.00	
Tyrian	50.00			547.00

District No. 8;

Amity	50.00	Heward	19.00	
Carlyle	Nil	New Hope	99.00	
Arcola	50.00	Boscurvis	10.00	
Estevan	214.00	Border	2.00	
Alameda	32.00	Fillmore	31.00	507.00

District No. 9;

Moosomin	33.00	Rocanville	27.00	
Ashlar	25.50	Connaught	29.00	
Evening Star	27.00	Maryfield	15.00	
Wapella	34.00	Composite	74.00	
Ekapo	76.00	Wawota	25.00	
Grayson	Nil	Welwyn	19.00	384.50

District No. 10;

Yorkton	63.00	Togo	19.00	
Aurora	7.00	York	33.00	
Buchanan	Nil	Saltcoats	10.00	
King Solomon	100.00	Preeceville	33.44	
Canora	31.00	Norquay	Nil	
Melville	60.00	Hudson Bay	50.00	406.44

District No. 11;

Maple Leaf	51.00	Mount Hermon	42.00	
Swift Current	128.50	Sceptre	58.00	
Cypress	22.00	Progressive	58.50	
Morse	22.94	Leader	7.00	
Cabri	117.25	Herbert	Nil	
Lancer	41.00			548.19

District No. 12;

Victoria	50.00	Elrose	126.50	
Zealandia	52.00	Tuberose	125.00	
Kindersley	149.00	Herschel	54.00	
Rosetown	301.42	Lacadena	51.00	
Eston	167.00			1,075.92

District No. 13;

Prairie	80.00	Biggar	90.00	
Unity	61.50	Gothic	100.00	
Kilwinning	47.00	Landis	30.00	
Harmony	21.00	Paragon	36.00	
Meridian	81.00	Loverna	56.00	
Kerrobert	200.90	St. Luke's	100.00	903.40

District No. 14;

St. John's	50.00	Meyronne	65.50	
Limerick	51.75	Kincaid	88.00	
Shaunavon	95.00	Verwood	38.50	
Aneroid	45.00	Glenedyth	52.00	
Woodrow	126.50	Vanguard	Nil	
Azure	63.00	Admiral	21.00	
Cadillac	52.00			748.25

District No. 15;

Prince Rupert	67.50	Invermay	25.00	
Wynyard	57.00	Elfros	27.00	
Foam Lake	35.00	Viscount	19.00	
Lanigan	72.00	Quill Lake	Nil	
Wadena	32.00	Kelvington	Nil	334.50

District No. 16;

Strasbourg	Nil	Acacia	20.00	
Touchwood	27.00	Long Lake	55.00	
Manitou	Nil	Simpson	66.00	
Govan	29.00	Philathea	41.00	
Tuscan	40.00	Raymore	10.00	
Union	37.00			325.00

District No. 17;

Elbow View	36.50	Hawarden	49.00	
Outlook	40.00	Dunblane	46.00	
Broderick	35.50	Lucky Lake	32.00	
Dinston	77.50	Macrorie	14.00	
Conquest	23.00	Sovereign	111.00	
Riverhurst	45.00			509.50

TOTAL $13,169.77

SUPPLEMENT

Amounts received between June 2nd and June 17th, 1943:

Battle	18.00	Earl Grey	5.00	
Harmony	2.00	Macrorie	8.00	
Ogema	5.00			38.00

TOTAL $13,207.77

Conclusion

For the first time since 1931 I am indeed happy to be able to report to Grand Lodge an increase in membership. Not only have our numbers increased but I am satisfied, from my close contact with the Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction, that there is a renewal of Masonic spirit among the members generally and a deeper appreciation of the great fundamental principles of Freemasonry.

The monthly publication of "The Tracing Board," the office administration of the Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund and the large amount of detailed work resulting from the war services activity of the Committee on Freemasonry and Youth, added to the regular work of the office, has made it necessary to employ part-time office assistance.

I wish to express appreciation for the co-operation extended to me during the year by Lodge Secretaries, the D.D.G.M's. and Grand Lodge Officers.

I have enjoyed the year of close association with M.W. Brother Fraser. Although burdened with anxiety on account of the very serious and prolonged illness of his youngest daughter, our Grand Master has been consistently energetic in the service of our beloved Craft. In his almost daily contacts with my office he has at all times been thoughtful and considerate. The memory of the year will be ever a happy one.

Brethren of Saskatchewan, I place in your hands the record of another year's service as your Grand Secretary.

"Welding the bonds of brotherhood
In a great chain of common good
Bearing the burdens, sharing things
Lifting the world with shining wings,
All this our creed, our hope and plan
Keeping the faith, with God and man."

Fraternally submitted,

ROBT. A. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

Report of Board of General Purposes

R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion presented the report of the Board of General Purposes, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion and J. C. Carter, was received and adopted as follows.

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

On June 18th, 1942, immediately following the closing of Grand Lodge the organization meeting of this Board was held. The Standing Committees were then struck as reported on page 127 of the 1942 Proceedings.

On June 15th, 1943, the full Board convened in Salon 3, Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon, and was in session throughout the day.

A report on the Conference of Grand Masters, Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, held on August 21st and 22nd, 1942, was submitted by M.W. Brother Douglas Fraser.

The reports of the Standing Committees were submitted and, after due consideration, received and referred to Grand Lodge. Directly

following this report these will be presented for the approval of Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,
S. J. A. BRANION,
President.

Report of Committee on Condition of Masonry

M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke presented the following report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Observations based on the history of Freemasonry in Saskatchewan prove that among the many factors which influence the state of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction are international relationships, internal economic conditions, constituent and Grand Lodge leadership. Despite the immediate absence of much desirable prospective material for membership in consequence of the world war, the improvement in commercial activities throughout our province has been reflected, especially during the past year, in a decided betterment in the financial affairs of a majority of our Lodges. Coupled with this encouraging condition is a marked increase in the number of initiates and an awakening interest on the part of the stalwarts of our Order.

The latter has been stimulated and successfully developed largely by and through the efforts and influence of our Grand Lodge officials. To meet the challenge of youth in particular, to say nothing of the other projects to which they have given their attention, they have drawn the brethren together in a great united effort. A forward step of this nature and importance is likely to prove of incalculable value to all concerned and the effect of the initiative and endeavours of those responsible will resound to their credit through the annals of Masonry in Saskatchewan. This effort, in the opinion of your Committee, is an outstanding contribution that merits the commendation and appreciation of this Grand Lodge.

Your Committee in its attempts to determine the true condition of Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction again has had recourse to the usual channels of information—mainly the confidential reports of the D.D.G.Ms. and the statistical data furnished by the secretaries of the constituent Lodges. The present restrictions affecting travel by motor car obviously have interfered with the normal activities of the representatives of the Grand Master and their official aides, yet, with the exception of eleven, confidential reports have been filed covering all Lodges under their supervision. Statistical reports for the year ended December 31, 1942, on individual Lodges were received by the Grand Secretary on all save eight and in respect to seven of these the D.D. G.Ms. appear to have obtained by other methods a portion of the lacking information. Neither a general resume of his activities nor the usual statistical table covering his district has been received from the D.D.G.M. for District No. 7.

The new forms authorized by Grand Lodge through your Committee at the last annual Communication have proven to be effective devices for obtaining desired data and information. The intelligence thus gleaned appears to be much more accurate and complete than

formerly. Your Committee desires to record its appreciation of the co-operation and support lent in this respect by the brethren concerned.

Certain phases of "the internal economy" etc. of the constituent Lodges as indicated by these forms are depicted hereunder and are respectfully submitted for the consideration of Grand Lodge.

Total Assets of 197 Lodges reported as at December 31, 1942, exceed $650,000, as compared with $595,674, for the previous year. The new forms also reveal that 113 Lodges (over 57%) have funds invested in bonds and/or war savings certificates. Your Committee commends these Lodges for their foresight and patriotism. Despite such investments, cash in the hands of our Lodges as at December 31, 1942, totalled $43,286.29—an increase of 10% over the previous year.

Liabilities are approximately the same as at the end of 1941. 113 Lodges (over 57%) appear to be out of debt while 50 Lodges (about 25%) show liabilities of less than $125. each.

Arrears of Dues. The number of brethren in arrears of dues as at December 31, 1942, was 3,425, owing a total of $51,510.—an average of over $15. each.

The distinction of having no arrearages goes to Asquith No. 146/5, Saltcoats No. 162/10 and Mazenod Lodge No. 193/3.

Three Lodges report only one member each in arrears, namely: Lonach No. 182/7 at Marsden; Sovereign No. 192/17 and Lacadena No. 196/12.

Five Lodges each have two members only in arrears, namely: Duck Lake No. 13/1; Elbowview No. 56/17 at Elbow; Ogema No. 120/6; Meyronne No. 128/14; and Macrorie No. 191/17.

Three Lodges each show only three members with dues unpaid. namely: Union No. 98/16 at Kelliher; Elfros No. 145/15 and Chaplin No. 197/3.

Attendance at Meetings.

33 Lodges—one-sixth the total—held fewer than nine regular meetings each during the period ended December 31, 1942.

The largest number of meetings—regular and emergent combined—was held by:

Saskatchewan No. 16/5 as Saskatoon (urban Lodge)—40 meetings
Abernethy Lodge No. 77/4 (rural Lodge) —25 meetings

Favourable attendance records were enjoyed by the following rural Lodges on the basis of average attendance per regular meeting in terms of percentage of resident membership—only rural Lodges holding at least nine regular meetings during the period under review and having at least 10 resident members each are included:

	Res. Mbs.	Reg. Mtgs. held	Att. %
Prince Rupert No. 35/15 at Humboldt	16	10	81.2%
Ishpaming No. 43/5 at Langham	20	11	71. %
Outlook No. 65/17	10	11	87 %
Harmony No. 75/13 at Perdue	14	10	71.4%
Invermay No. 102/15	18	10	70 %
Landis No. 115/13	12	10	70 %
Maple Leaf No. 9/11 at Maple Creek	39	11	65.6%
Earl Grey No. 168/4	14	9	71 %
Lonach No. 182/7 at Marsden	17	10	65 %
Macrorie No. 191/17	15	11	80 %
Sovereign No. 192/17	35	12	66.6%
Admiral No. 199/14	14	10	67.8%

65 rural Lodges show an average attendance per regular meeting equal to 50% of their respective resident memberships. Such Lodges each held at least 8 regular meetings and each had a resident membership of 10 or more.

10 urban Lodges produced an average attendance per regular meeting exceeding 30% of their respective resident membership, namely:

	Res. Mbs.	Reg. Mtgs. held	Att. %
Kinistino No. 1/1 at Prince Albert	112	12	31 %
Swift Current No. 26/11	90	12	31.9%
Ionic No. 31/7 at North Battleford	75	10	33.3%
Prince Albert No. 63/1	90	10	30.1%
Doric No. 71/3 at Moose Jaw	64	10	40 %
Lodge Progress No. 92/5 at Saskat'n	169	10	31.5%
St. George No. 136/3 at Moose Jaw	102	10	32 %
Latomia No. 125/6 at Weyburn	46	10	37 %
Memorial No. 172/3 at Moose Jaw	44	10	40.9%
St. Andrews No. 174/2 at Regina	95	11	36.8%

It is the considered opinion of your Committee that poor attendance and arrearages of dues contribute directly to loss of membership. These are problems that can be handled best by the constituent Lodges themselves without outside assistance or interference. Your Committee believes that despite all exterior factors the success of Masonry in this province depends in the final analysis upon the enthusiasm and service of its constituent officers and members.

Efficient business management and organization within the Lodge coupled with zeal for the success of the local Craft are essential and usually accomplish the desired results. Until such time as the officers and committees affected regard their Masonic duties and responsibilities seriously can we hope for improvement in such Lodges as are reported in "Fair" and "Poor" condition.

Your Committee believes that in most instances Lodges afflicted with the curse of a low attendance percentage in the face of a reasonably good resident membership and/or the handicap of large arrearages of dues stand self condemned. The remedy for such debilities rests almost entirely within the local organization.

Local Benevolence: Exclusive of the assistance received from the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund $5,075. is reported as having been expended by 72 Lodges during 1942 for local relief. Organized facilities for dispensing this service seems to be entirely absent in 94 Lodges. Your Committee suggests that each Lodge provide some definite arrangements to meet local contingencies as and when they arise.

Re Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund: Cash donations are reported by a number of Lodges in addition to the regular constitutional levy. It is a matter of deep satisfaction to your Committee to observe this display of special interest in a project which does so much to alleviate distress in our midst. The current excellent report of the Board of Trustees merits the careful study of every Lodge member.

District Meetings: A perusal of the minutes of the various district meetings held discloses special stress on the following features which evidently made a profound impression on the brethren in attendance, namely:

1. The exemplification of the I.M. Rite.
2. The Flag Ceremony.

3. Rededication Exercises.
4. Exemplification of the Funeral Ceremony.
5. Proposal to issue a Masonic Bulletin for this Grand Jurisdiction.
6. Continuance of the G.M. War Relief Fund.
7. Address of the Grand Secretary on "Freemasonry and Youth."
8. Address of the Grand Master on "Freemasonry in a Warring World."

Your Committee is convinced that the conduct of these meetings in so far at least as the Grand Lodge officials were concerned was entirely acceptable.

The importance of the burial ceremony was stressed—and this was timely—and such instruction seemed to satisfy a long-felt need.

The fact that approximately 10,000 of our brethren are now receiving regularly a copy of "The Tracing Board" is evidence of the soundness of the suggestion that such a publication be launched in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Particularly since donations have been purely voluntary, the fact that the response to the appeal to continue the Grand Master's War Relief Fund has augmented that fund by over $13,000. convinces your Committee that the brethren of Saskatchewan are ever ready and willing to give practical expression to their Masonic teachings.

The activities of our Lodges following the masterly addresses delivered by our Grand Master and Grand Secretary afford proof of the excellence of their messages and the great merit of the cause they espoused.

Unfortunately 39 Lodges throughout the Grand Jurisdiction failed to send representatives to these meetings. It would seem to your Committee that excellent opportunities for inspiration and instruction were thus lost to their respective memberships. May we suggest that all Lodges give this question serious consideration and their principal officers at least be urged to attend every meeting of this nature held in their area.

Lodge Conditions and Prospects

Certain chronic ailments continue to affect our Lodge routine.

The secretaries of three Lodges are reported as not having on file certificate of the examining board re the Master-elect, and 16 overlooked spreading such report on their minutes.

While the books generally in practically all Lodges are reported as being well kept, yet the Historical Registers in 58 Lodges apparently are not written up to date.

The yearly audit was given better attention in 1942, only four Lodges report neglect.

Notices of meetings are not being sent as required in respect to only five Lodges.

Evidently 28 Lodges have overlooked the instruction of the Board of General Purposes appearing on the inside of the front cover of the Annual Proceedings of Grand Lodge in respect to the Grand Master's address, etc.

The efficiency of the officers of 23 Lodges whose work was observed by and reported on by the D.D.G.Ms. or their official repre-

sentatives was only "fair." 49 Lodges appear to lack definite facilities for the instruction of officers and the coaching of candidates—that is to say local arrangements therefor are merely "casual."

Degree work and/or installation ceremonies, either actual or by exemplification, were witnessed re only 184 of the 198 Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction. The inspecting officers classify the condition and prospects of our Lodges generally, as follows:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Totals
Condition	35	91	47	11	184
Prospects	19	93	56	16	184

N.B.—14 Lodges are not included in this table.

Masonic Research.

Your Committee commends the continuation of the work on Masonic Education and desires to emphasize the vital importance of this phase of our Masonic activities.

General Conditions and Prospects.

Your Committees of the last two years on the Condition of Masonry have reported that the trend of Masonry in Saskatchewan was towards advancement. Their predictions in this respect have been amply justified. We are happy to report that for the first time in twelve years the net membership of our Order in Saskatchewan has increased. This fact augurs well for the future.

We congratulate the Grand Secretary and his staff on the promptness with which the Proceedings are issued in each year. These volumes, containing as they do a wealth of information, and the despatch surrounding their distribution deserve a full share of the credit for the favorable advancement herein reported.

BASED ON THE FOREGOING ANALYSIS, THE GENERAL CONCLUSION OF YOUR COMMITTEE IS THAT MASONRY IN SASKATCHEWAN IS DEFINITELY ON THE MARCH AND THAT WE HAVE SOUND REASON FOR OPTIMISM AS TO THE FUTURE.

Recommendations of D.D.G.M's.

A number of D.D.G.Ms make recommendations. In most cases these deal with local matters which properly come under the exclusive jurisdictions of the Masters or belong to the District Meetings or are already under advisement of Grand Lodge.

However, the D.D.G.M. of District No. 2 recommends that Masonry assume a definite task with suggestions therefor. Your Committee considers that Masonry already has a definite task and is expending its efforts in the accomplishment of that objective. The method suggested as to obtaining members is contrary to the fundamental principles of the Craft, and the study of economic matters would be outside the field of moral instruction.

Past Rank.

Your Committee, in keeping with the recommendation offered by it last year and adopted by Grand Lodge, have consulted the M.W. the Grand Master, in respect to the services rendered by his personal representatives in the seventeen Masonic districts with a view to recommending such as are deemed deserving for past rank. Your Committee, therefore, has pleasure in recommending to Grand Lodge that the rank

of Past District Deputy Grand Master with the title of Right Worshipful be granted the following retiring D.D.G.M's.

R.W. Bro. M. S. Mooney ..... District No. 1
R.W. Bro. H. L. Fowler ..... District No. 2
R.W. Bro. W. W. Snider ..... District No. 3
R.W. Bro. S. Lowe ..... District No. 4
R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor ..... District No. 5
R.W. Bro. E. R. Davis ..... District No. 6
R.W. Bro. S. A. Cline ..... District No. 8
R.W. Bro. W. S. E. Inglis ..... District No. 9
R.W. Bro. H. M. Stewart ..... District No. 10
R.W. Bro. M. L. Smith ..... District No. 11
R.W. Bro. R. L. Harper ..... District No. 12
R.W. Bro. R. J. McAuslan ..... District No. 13
R.W. Bro. G. R. Binkley ..... District No. 14
R.W. Bro. D. H. Chivers ..... District No. 15
R.W. Bro. W. W. Stratton ..... District No. 16
R.W. Bro. J. H. Middagh ..... District No. 17

Fraternally submitted,
J. ORVILLE CLARKE, Chairman.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke, seconded by V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink, that the report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry be adopted.

It was moved in amendment by M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig, seconded by R.W. Bro. R. L. Harper, that the name of R.W. Bro. T. S. Dundass, D.D.G.M. District No. 7, be included in the recommendations of the Committee on Condition of Masonry for the rank of Past D.D.G.M.

On the amendment being put it was declared lost.

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters

On motion of R.W. Bros. W. S. E. Inglis and S. Lowe, it was resolved that the following reports of the D.D.G.M's. having been referred to the Committee on Condition of Masonry, they be taken as read, and printed in the Proceedings.

DISTRICT NO. 1

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 1.

This district is situated in the northern part of the province and comprises 13 Lodges including the oldest Lodge, Kinistino No. 1, situated in the City of Prince Albert, and almost the baby, Pleasantdale No, 195. It is a District of long distances between Lodges and consequently a lot of mileage must be travelled in order to visit all Lodges. However I have visited all officially, once, and a few, several times. In all my visits I was received most cordially, and found nothing but the finest

spirit of Masonry prevailing and the officers eager and well-skilled in their work.

The District Meeting was held in the City of Prince Albert on July 6th, 1942, 9 of the 13 Lodges being represented, making a total of 85 members present.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, M.W. Bro. M. Musk, P.G.M., R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion, D.G.M., were introduced by M.W. Bro. R. Young, P.G.M., and were accorded the customary Grand Honours.

The Grand Master's address on "Freemasonry in a Warring World" and the Grand Secretary's address on "Freemasonry and Youth" were listened to with rapt attention and I have heard many comments on the two addresses during my visits to the Lodges in the District. Many thought these two addresses should have been made available for broadcasting so that more than such a limited number could have benefitted by hearing them.

W. Bro. J. Taylor of Birch Hills No. 127, was chosen to be recommended to the in-coming Grand Master as his District Deputy for this District for the year 1943-44.

I have not accomplished what I would have liked to have done, due to a desire to conserve gas and rubber and the long distances and short driving season. In fact, I consider I just got acquainted and did not have sufficient contacts with the Lodges to form a real opinion of progress or otherwise, and I would strongly recommend that:

(1) This District be divided in two and that the D. D. G. M. be required to visit each Lodge at least twice, during his term of office.

(2) That all W.M.'s be urged to encourage visiting other Lodges in their District.

(3) That all forms be filled out with typewriter and that it be ruled to suit the typewriter.

Conditions in the District: On my official visits all Lodges displayed a good knowledge of the Ritualistic work. However it has been a practice with some Lodges to have well skilled brethren fill the officers' chairs for the official visit of the D.D.G.M. Of this I do not approve, but in view of the fact so many of the officers are joining the Armed Forces of our King and Country, many of the proxies were necessary and unavoidable. Every Lodge in the District has one or more of the first three officers in the services.

I consider the D.D.G.M. a member of all Lodges in their district and should during their term of office, be considered as such by the members and then a more free and easy attitude would prevail. I believe the D.D.G.M. would give all the assistance that lay within his power, and I do not consider the office one to be used as a critical correction booth.

One Lodge has only 7 resident members, another has 13 and these Lodges need encouragement. The district as a whole has 37% of its membership non-resident and one Lodge has 72% of its members non-resident. Not all of course are in the Service of King and Country, but it is safe to assume that the majority are. This of course has had a very telling effect on the burden borne by those who are left to carry on. However if a little more team work and organization were practised I believe the meetings would be better patronized, consequently the average attendance would be raised, despite the absence of so many

We fully appreciate how Christianity has been threatened by the perpetrators of evil, and how so many of our Brothers have been denied the privilege of assembly in the Eastern Hemisphere. This should only serve to spur us on to more action, to combat and destroy that which seeks to destroy us. GOD BLESS OUR FORCES OF JUSTICE.

In conclusion, M.W. Grand Master, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the privilege of serving you. If I have carried out your bidding, that was my duty. If I have failed you, I can only say I am sorry. To the Brethren of District No. 1, I had the privilege of thanking you in person when I visited you, but I wish to again express my thanks and appreciation for your friendship and loyalty. Wishing my successor the same warm hand of brotherly-love you have extended to me.

Fraternally submitted,

MINOR S. MOONEY, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 2

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 2.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Regina, July 22, 1942. There was a total of 116 registered, and all fourteen Lodges of the district were represented. M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and other Grand Lodge officers were in attendance. M.W. the Grand Master and R.W. the Grand Secretary both gave very inspiring and instructive addresses, which were enjoyed and appreciated by the brethren.

W. Bro. T. H. Moffet, of Emulation Lodge No. 186, was duly nominated to be recommended to the M.W. the Grand Master as District Deputy Grand Master. However, as W. Bro. Moffet was not in attendance at the District Meeting, the matter of selection of a District Deputy for the ensuing year was left until the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

I wish to express my appreciation to R.W. Bro. A. L. B. Holland of Craik Lodge No. 55, and R.W. Bro. A. A. Wilson, of King Hiram Lodge No. 104, for having, on my behalf, officially visited their respective Lodges.

It is with regret that I report the death of R.W. Bro. A. MacArthur, a charter member of Milestone Lodge; and also the death of W. Bro. A. E. Smith, who was the Master of Wascana Lodge No. 2 for the current year. Both of these brethren made distinct contributions to the fraternity, and their passing will be regretted by all. They were buried with Masonic honours, and in the case of W. Bro. Smith, the service was graced by the attendance of the M.W. the Grand Master.

Judging by the standard of the past twenty-five or thirty years, Masonry in District No. 2 might be said to be in a satisfactory and encouraging condition. However, in my humble opinion, Masonry is not fulfilling the mission that it could, and should, in the economic, national, social and religious life of the Country.

In the country Lodges, the average attendance is well over 50% of the resident membership, which is, comparatively speaking, a satisfactory showing. There is little degree work in the country Lodges, and the function beyond the business activity is usually of a social nature. This, of course, is excellent so far as it goes, but surely our great Fraternity has a more important function than transacting some business and visiting, important though these may be. I cannot help but feel that a large percentage of the attendance is because of a loyalty to a tradition, rather than the performance of a delightful task.

In the city Lodges, the percentage of average attendance of the resident membership is approximately 25%. The city Lodges hold between ten and eleven regular meetings per year on the average, and between nine and ten emergent meetings. The average attendance at the emergent meetings is slightly higher than at the regular meetings. As all degree work is performed at the emergent meetings, it is evident that the brethren are more interested in taking part or watching degree work than they are in sitting on the side lines as a more or less disinterested spectator at our present Lodge programmes. The excuse given for low average attendance in the city of Regina is the social and other attractions that city life has to offer. This statement is of course a flagrant admission of the weakness of our present Masonic work. The underlying principles and tendencies of our Craft work are sufficiently broad and general, and are sufficiently ennobling that little, if any, competition might be offered if our Fraternity was fulfilling its mission.

As a suggestion to remedy the condition outlined above, I have three recommendations to make:

(1) That Masonry be given a task—a job to do. It might be related to post-war rehabilitation; it might be related to charity; it might be related to education. (P.G.M. Weir's programme was an excellent one).

(2) That there be set up as a permanent standing committee in all Lodges a membership committee, whose function it shall be to examine the material in the territory within the jurisdiction of the Lodge, and if the committee is satisfied as to its worthiness, invite it to identify itself with the Fraternity (the democratic working of the secret ballot should, of course, be explained).

(3) That the educational programme to be followed by the constituent Lodges be more definitely related to the economic life of the country, rather than abstract delving into nebulous history. In this connection, I would commend the M.W. the Grand Master for the programme, "The Cause we Serve", which was sent out last fall to all constituent Lodges.

In addressing the Lodges on my official visits, I dealt with the problem of post-war reconstruction, with the building of a better society, and with the building of a permanent and lasting peace.

The greatest task that has ever faced the human life is the problem of building a world in which there shall be no war. Masonry can, and should, assume some responsibilty in that great task.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Fraternally yours,

H. L. FOWLER, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 3

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit, herewith, my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 3.

District No. 3 consists of 15 Lodges, four in the city of Moose Jaw, and 11 in the surrounding district. Because of the necessity, as well as our desire to live up to the spirit of the regulations that requested the reduction of travel and the saving of gasoline, I was permitted to have Past District Deputies pay official visits, on my behalf, to some of the more distant lodges. Although I regret having missed the opportunity of meeting and fraternizing with the brethren in these lodges, I am deeply indebted to the following brethren who so generously gave of their time and ability:

R.W. Bro. M. L. Smith, D.D.G.M. of District No. 11, who visited Chaplin Lodge No. 197; R.W. Bro. W. Ratcliffe, who visited Central Butte Lodge No. 114, Eyebrow Lodge No. 67, and Tugaske Lodge No. 78; R.W. Bro. C. C. Shattuck, who visited Mazenod Lodge No. 193 and Sharon Lodge No. 170; R.W. Bro. C. B. Martin, who visited Mortlach Lodge No. 107.

The remaining eight Lodges I visited once officially. Some of these I visited unofficially several times. I also attended several Installation Ceremonies and Funeral Services and am pleased to report that the Grand Master's wishes in the latter case have been fully, efficiently and reverently carried out.

I wish to record the thanks and appreciation of this district tendered to R.W. Bro. W. Ratcliffe for the new suit of D.D.G.M. Regalia that he presented to District No. 3. His gift was but another expression of the wonderful Masonic spirit that has motivated all his actions and which has endeared him to the brethren in all the Lodges.

The District Meeting was held in Moose Jaw on July 21 with an attendance of 77. All but two of the lodges in the district were represented. From information gathered while visiting lodges, I found that there were several brethren who intended and were anxious to attend this meeting but had never been notified of the date by their Secretaries, and this despite the fact that previous to the meeting, I had notified each Lodge twice and in plenty of time. In the city, joint notices are printed and sent to all resident members and I would recommend that extra copies be printed and a sufficient number sent by the district Secretary to all Lodge Secretaries for distribution to their resident members. I believe that the results would more than counterbalance the small extra cost and labour involved.

In this connection, I feel that I must record the laxity and complete indifference paid by some few Masters and Secretaries to communications sent to them. This has caused considerable delay in important Masonic matters and a good deal of extra correspondence for your D.D.G.M.

A board of Installed Masters was held at 2 o'clock and the District Meeting opened at 2.30. After the reception of the Grand Master and his distinguished attendants, and the completion of the regular business, the afternoon was given over to the exemplification of the Funeral Service which was creditably performed by Wor. Bro. H. Rorison and mem-

bers of Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3. A general discussion led by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary followed and their suggestions and constructive criticism were timely and informative.

At 6 o'clock the brethren met around the festive board with W. Bro. H. D. Pickett presiding. Although the number of ladies present was not as large as we had hoped for, their attendance was appreciated by all and greatly added to the pleasure of the occasion and the general opinion was that this innovation might well be continued.

In the evening, after the rededicatory exercises which the ladies were invited to witness, the District Meeting re-opened at 8 o'clock. W. Bro. Wm. Matheson of Tugaske Lodge No. 78, being the only nominee, was declared selected as D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year. A very stirring and instructive address was given by R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate on Freemasonry and Youth, in which he appealed for the formation of War Services committees in all lodges. The Grand Master then delivered an inspiring, timely and masterful address on Freemasonry in a Warring World, in which he referred to this war as a war for the preservation of one's soul, urging the brethren to test this vital truth. In moving a vote of thanks to the distinguished speakers, M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig expressed the opinion held by all present when he said that this was the most inspirational District Meeting that he had ever attended.

On my official visits I stressed the Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund, and the need of a fully paid-up membership for an efficiently working Lodge. I regret to say that the results in the former have, in some cases, been disappointing, non-resident members especially paying little heed to appeals. With regard to the latter, the new Statistical Report Form has prevented me from making satisfactory comparisons, although I would like to mention and congratulate Mazenod Lodge No. 193. They report dues paid in full, no liabilities and their Temple free of debt. Considerable criticism has reached me from Lodge Secretaries with regard to the new statistical report forms. I feel that some of the criticism is justified, especially from the Lodges whose year ends in June. Not only is a second audit practically necessary in order to complete the form correctly, but as most members endeavour to pay their dues before the end of their Lodge year, these Lodges are placed in the unfavourable position of having to report a greater percentage of members in arrears than those whose year ends in December, and, in my opinion, it does not show a true picture.

I am pleased to report increased activity and interest in all the Lodges in the district. Applications for membership appear greater than for some years. This is general throughout the entire district, and with better conditions generally prevailing, the financial difficulties that have hampered a few Lodges for some years should soon be eliminated.

My work during the past year has given me a better appreciation of the difficulties confronting Lodges in rural areas, and increased my admiration for their efforts. Uncertain harvest conditions, bad weather and blocked roads seriously, but unavoidably, interfere with attendance and meetings. In fact not once was I able to visit a rural Lodge on the night I had originally planned, because the meetings were postponed for one or more of the above reasons.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Grand Master and Grand Secretary for their assistance and advice which was available and readily given at all times. I also wish to thank the brethren of this district for the honor they conferred on me by selecting me to this

office and for the many courtesies shown me during the past year. If I have been able to render any service to the craft or be helpful even in a small way I can assure you that I have been well repaid.

Fraternally yours,

W. W. SNIDER, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 4

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 4.

This district comprises nine Lodges, six of which I visited personally, while the other three were visited by R.W. Bro. F. J. Truran as my Deputy, appointed by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master. Generally speaking I have found Masonry in this District in a thriving condition. The District Meeting was held at Fort Qu'Appelle on July 24th, 1942, at which eight of the nine Lodges were represented, with an attendance of 87 members and five visitors. In attendance also were the M.W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks, P.G.M., and V.W. Bro. C. J. Wingfield, G.J.D.

The graveside portion of the funeral ceremony was exemplified by V.W. Bro. A. R. Towndrow in a very impressive manner, this work being very favourably commented on by the Grand Secretary. The brethren enthusiastically supported the continuance of the Grand Master's War Relief Fund, and pledged their support to the cause, and also endorsed the idea of a Masonic publication. The Flag Ceremony and the Rededication ceremony were exemplified by the M.W. the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers.

The Grand Secretary gave a splendid address on Freemasonry and Youth, stressing the importance of Masonic contact with the youth of our country. During the evening session W. Bro. E. B. Saunders of Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge was selected to the office of D.D.G.M. for the year 1943-44. The M.W. the Grand Master then addressed the brethren on "Freemasonry in a Warring World" and M.W. Bro. Brooks expressed the appreciation of the Brethren of District No. 4 for the address.

During my visits to the various Lodges in the District, I found, without exception, an enthusiastic feeling in all that pertains to Masonry. Unfortunately weather conditions delaying harvesting operations during the time of my visits, interfered to some extent with the attendance I would like to have seen, but what was lacking in attendance was more than made up for by the kind reception accorded me and the very evident interest in Masonry generally.

Owing to war conditions new members are the exception, and referring to this I laid stress on keeping up, by constant practice, some part of the Ritual, but not to the extent that it proves a burden. Punctuality in opening the Lodge was also stressed by me, expressing the opinion that this is the responsibility of the W.M. and it has more effect on the general success of a Lodge than many members are willing to admit. Inter-visitation was also recommended, and while these things

are not Masonry they all help to make good Masons. With reference to the re-arrangement of Districts I would like to suggest that a new District be formed comprising Qu'Appelle Valley No. 4, Cupar No. 47, Nanatah No. 53, Melville No. 62, Abernethy No. 77 and Eary Grey No. 168, an arrangement that I feel sure would meet with the approval of the Lodges mentioned.

In conclusion I wish to tender my sincere thanks to the brethren of District No. 4 for the honour conferred on me as Representative of the M.W. the Grand Master, and I assure them that the new friendships I have gained as well as those renewed during my year of office are deeply appreciated.

Fraternally submitted,
S. LOWE, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 5

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 5.

This district consists of 14 Lodges of which four are in the City of Saskatoon.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Saskatoon, July 9, 1942. There was a registration of 87 and a voting strength of 65. Two Lodges, Hanley No. 28, and Lakeview No. 173, were not represented. The meeting opened at 2.45 and carried through until 10.45 p.m. with a recess from 4.45 to 7.50, during which period the brethren gathered for supper at the Elite Cafe as guests of the City Lodges, where they enjoyed a musical programme and an interesting address by Rev. Bro. A. E. Greenhalgh. The afternoon session was featured by an exemplification of the Funeral Ceremony by W. Bro. F. E. Smith-Jones and other members of Saskatchewan Lodge No. 16. The address of the Grand Secretary on "Freemasonry and Youth", and that of the Grand Master on "Masonry in a Warring World", were inspiring and well received. W. Bro. E. S. Humphreys, of Ishpaming Lodge No. 43, Langham, Sask, was the choice of the meeting for the D.D.G.M. for next year.

After the retirement of the Grand Lodge Officers, the meeting reluctantly accepted the resignation of V.W. Bro. Adam Turnbull as District Secretary after 21 years of faithful service. W. Bro. F. E. Smith-Jones was elected Secretary. The D.D.G.M. was instructed to contact all Lodges in the District and arrange for some tangible appreciation of Bro. Turnbull's services.

It was the opinion of the brethren that a definite time should be allotted at the District Meeting for general discussion of matters of importance to the District and to Masonry in general.

In common with the Province generally the work of this district was handicapped, first, by an unusually heavy harvest, which kept agricultural brethren very busy; second, the gasoline rationing; and third, an early and long, heavy winter. All these circumstances interfered with actual meetings of country Lodges as well as with attendance, and increased the difficulties of offical visits. The gas shortage and the

road conditions made it impossible to arrange for car loads of city brethren to visit country Lodges. Nevertheless, I have personally visited every Lodge in the district at least once, and have kept in constant contact by correspondence and by telephone. I constantly stressed the importance of the Grand Master's War Relief Fund, and the War Services Committee on Freemasonry and Youth. On my visits I was more concerned with encouragement than with adverse criticism. Building is better than 'Busting'. I hope that my visits were a source of inspiration.

It has taken considerable faith and courage for many of the country Lodges to keep the light of Masonry burning through the years of depression, drouth and war. When applicants are knocking at the door it is not difficult to keep the Lodge work interesting, but when candidates are scarce it is a greater challenge to the resourcefulness and originality of Lodge officers.

The weakness of country Lodges lies in Organization rather than in Ritual. With limited membership, the personnel of the various committees are necessarily duplicated, and the efforts of the individual are not concentrated. The strength of these Lodges is in the courage, enthusiasm and optimism maintained under many and varied difficulties.

The City Lodges do not use their larger membership to advantage. In the many committees, both standing and short term, necessary to the Lodges' best activities, the same names appear, while too many "side benchers" anxious to serve, are never given the opportunity to make a contribution. If the interest of the younger brethren is to be maintained, they must be challenged with a task.

Music, that very valuable adjunct to Ritualistic work, plays little or no part in the country Lodges. Practically every Lodge has a piano or organ, but there is no instrumentalist. A good gramophone, with records of Masonic music, might be a good substitute. It is worth looking into.

In many of the Lodges there seems to be a lack of Masonic Education and Research. A good Mason is an informed Mason. A live Research Committee, using the pamphlets and papers continually sent out by the Grand Lodge Committee, and a more extensive use of the Lodge libraries, can provide many instructive and interesting programmes.

Very few of the Lodges have the comments in the Historical Register up to date. This is the source of material for Lodge Histories which every Lodge should have.

Implementing the decision of the District Meeting to honour V.W. Bro. Turnbull, arrangements were made with Lodge Progress No. 92, to hold an "Adam Turnbull Appreciation Night" on March 25th. On this occasion the M.M. degree was conferred on Bro. Gordon Sanford, of Imperial Lodge No. 60, the chairs being filled by P.D.D.G.M.'s of this district. M.W. Bro. C. P. Seeley referred to the splendid services of Bro. Turnbull, and on behalf of the Lodges presented him with a beautiful gold wrist watch. Bro. Turnbull suitably expressed his thanks. Lodge Progress choir provided music for the impressive degree and entertainment at the refreshment hour.

I want to record my appreciation of the cooperation of those brethren who have made my visits possible.

"Tolstoi, the great Russian reformer and writer was approached by a beggar, who with whining voice and suppliant hands, asked for alms. Quickly Tolstoi felt for a copper but he was without purse, or ring or any gift. He took the beggar's hand in both of his and said, 'Do not be angry with me, Brother, but I have nothing with me'. The gaunt face lighted up, the bloodshot eyes brightened, the blue lips smiled.

'But you have called me, Brother.
That is a great gift'."

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. MOOR, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 6

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 6.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Weyburn, on Monday, July 20th, 1942, with a registered attendance of 58. The attendance was not as large as usual owing to poor road conditions at that time. The meeting opened at 2.30 p.m. when the M.W. the Grand Master, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, was introduced to the meeting by M.W. Bro. C. P. Moore.

The Graveside Service was exemplified, in a very capable manner, by R.W. Bro. Roy Smith and assistants of Ogema Lodge, after which the Grand Secretary gave some helpful instructions on various points of the work. The M.W. the Grand Master then spoke on the proposed Masonic Bulletin, also the continuation of the Grand Master's War Relief Fund, both of which were supported unanimously, upon a vote being taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 4.30 p.m. to reconvene at 7.30 p.m. Immediately prior to the resumption of the meeting the M.W. the Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Roy Smith, exemplified the Flag Ceremony, with great dignity, and requested that this ceremony be used immediately prior to the opening of Lodges.

Business was resumed at 7.45 p.m. and after the minutes of the last District Meeting had been read and approved, the Grand Secretary gave an inspiring address on the subject of "Freemasonry and Youth," which gripped the attention of all present, and in his closing remarks, he suggested that each Lodge set up a War Service Committee with a view to maintaining contact with all who have left the locality for war. The Grand Master's address on "Freemasonry in a Warring World" was very instructive and will be long remembered by the Brethren present. The singing of the National Anthem brought to a close a meeting of inspiration and fellowship, appreciated and enjoyed by all.

Owing to the means of transportation being rationed, I have been unable to visit all the Lodges in District No. 6, but have visited as many as possible under the circumstances. I am pleased to report that in the Lodges I visited I found the work fairly uniform, and the Flag

Ceremony well demonstrated. The Masonic "Tracing Board" is well received throughout the district, but visits between Lodges have been greatly curtailed, owing to transportation difficulties. The same reason applies to members being unable to attend Lodge when living any distance from town.

There are few candidates for initiation at present, but this I think will improve, when the present crisis is over.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the M.W. the Grand Master and the Brethren of District No. 6 for the honour and privilege of serving them as D.D.G.M. and for every kindness and courtesy shown me on my visits.

Fraternally submitted,

E. R. DAVIS, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 7

No report in hand at date of printing.

DISTRICT No. 8

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 8.

The District Meeting was held at Oxbow on the 27th of July, 1942. It was not as well attended as it should have been, the registration being only 48, which was disappointing, as two of the Lodges were not represented.

At 2.00 p.m. a Board of Installed Masters assembled, and the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Douglas Fraser, the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, and V.W. Bro. J. A. Lackey, Grand Superintendent of Works, were introduced to the meeting by W. Bro. J. P. Gordon of Alameda Lodge No. 27, and were accorded the Grand Honours. Then R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate proceeded to give an exemplification of the Flag Ceremony, which is now being used at the Opening and Closing of all Lodges, which is very impressive. Boscurvis Lodge No. 39, was asked to exemplify the Burial Service at the graveside. V.W. Bro. Hood acted as Master of Ceremonies and did an excellent job.

The desire for a monthly publication was strongly supported. At time of writing no doubt each member will have received the publication, "The Tracing Board." I believe it is long overdue, and should go to every member to make it effective.

The intermission between the Afternoon and Evening Session was devoted to social intermingling, which was very profitable. The Grand Secretary spoke, taking as his subject, "Freemasonry and Youth," it was a wonderful address and R. W. Bro. Tate is to be congratulated on his timely subject. It was enjoyed by all. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, took as his subject, "What is the place of Freemasonry in a Warring World, and what are we doing." It created serious thought among the Brethren. Relative to "What are we doing," he appealed to the Brethren on behalf of the Grand Master's second War Relief Fund.

At this meeting R.W. Bro. Clarence S. Preston read his report on the District for the past year. Brother Preston is to be congratulated on his excellent report. W. Bro. J. P. Gordon of Alameda Lodge No. 27, was selected D.D.G.M. for the year 1943-44.

I am pleased to report that all Lodges in the District have been visited, with the willing and able help of R.W. Bro. Clarence S. Preston, R.W. Bro. F. Mills and R.W. Bro. W. H. S. Glew. Taking all the visits into consideration and trying to squarely face things as they really are, prospects are brighter this year. Some Lodges have a good number of candidates presenting themselves for membership. This indicates that some of the losses sustained through removals are being regained, as well as interest in Freemasonry being again reawakened in this district.

A particularly good feature is the continued reduction in the arrears of dues, from $2,200.91 to $1,734.09, a reduction of $466.82. I am very pleased to report that Fillmore Lodge No. 163, has no outstanding dues for the year 1942.

On September 18th, I had the pleasure of visiting Estevan Lodge No. 25, and helping V.W. Bro. James A. Smith, celebrate his Golden Jubilee in Masonry. He was initiated in Battle Lodge No. 38, G.R.M., April 5th, 1892, passed and raised in the same Lodge; withdrew from Battle Lodge No. 38 in 1905; became a charter member of Estevan Lodge No. 25, in the same year and was first Worshipful Master of Estevan Lodge; has held office in the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as Junior and Senior Steward, and Junior and Senior Deacon. For his long and faithful service, R.W. Bro. A. B. Stuart, on behalf of the Lodge presented him with a Fifty Year Gold Button. District No. 8 congratulates V.W. Bro. Smith on his Golden Jubilee in Masonry.

My thanks and appreciation are tendered to all who in any way assisted me in my duties. I have received sound and practical advice, assistance in difficulties, the company of Brethren on my visits, and the co-operation of all in the discharge of my duties.

A special note of thanks is due every Brother who assisted in the campaign for the Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund. Particularly I must express my thanks to R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson for his assistance, especially for his help in Fillmore Lodge, he is like the "Rock of Gibraltar", also R.W. Bro. Clarence S. Preston for his advice, and W. Bro. Kennett for his able assistance at our District Meeting at Oxbow.

I extend to my successor W. Bro. J. P. Gordon, Alameda, my best wishes for a year as full of work and happiness as mine has been, and to all the Brethren in the District, my gratitude for their friendship and loyalty.

Fraternally submitted,

S. A. CLINE, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 9

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 9.

In submitting this report for the year it must be admitted that it has not been a normal year for anything, due to the International situation. Under the circumstances much progress cannot be reported, but of more consequence is the fact that there has not been any retreat from the ideals and the practices of Masonry in the District.

The attendance at the District Meeting in Whitewood was very disappointing due to a variety of causes beyond any one's control. Nevertheless, the Brethren were privileged to hear two outstanding addresses by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Bro. Douglas Fraser, and R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, both of Regina. They deserved a wider audience. This meeting selected V.W. Bro. W. Wyllie of Ekapo Lodge No. 38, Broadview, as D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year.

Visitation of Lodges was hampered by adverse weather and labour conditions. Military calls depleted many Lodges and interfered with the efficiency of the work as seen by your representative. This in no way reflects on the Officers and Brethren who had to substitute at the last moment. They did their best and they gave their best, but any fair appraisal of the work is out of the question. The welfare of the Craft is in capable hands and the Ancient Landmarks are well guarded.

Reviewing the work of the year it is obvious, however, that schools of instruction are very necessary, but these could be undertaken by any well-skilled Brother or Brethren in the Lodge. Masonic education needs greater emphasis, both in history and philosophy. There is a genuine hunger for such knowledge. Lodges should be encouraged to build up libraries from books suggested by the Committee on Education. The new paper "The Tracing Board" meets a long-felt need and should be read by every Mason.

As facilities for travel become more restricted, it will be impossible to carry out any new policies. Nevertheless Lodges could do much to help themselves. Aggressive leadership, co-operation and enthusiasm will go far to ensure success in any place. Planning of work is essential. Experiments should be made to keep alive the interest.

In conclusion I would like to express my appreciation to the Brethren of District No. 9 for the privilege of serving them in the interests of Masonry, and for the courtesies extended to me on my official visits.

Fraternally submitted,
W. S. E. INGLIS, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 10

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 10.

Each Lodge in District No. 10 was officially visited during the year of my tenure except Buchanan Lodge No. 54, but I had the opportunity of attending that Lodge unofficially when a Joint Installation Ceremony was held for Buchanan, Canora, Preeceville and Norquay Lodges. This is an excellent idea and would have been even

more interesting if muddy roads had not materially reduced the attendance from some of the Lodges in question.

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking R.W. Bro. E. A. Crosthwaite for offically visiting Aurora, York and Saltcoats Lodges and also to thank R.W. Bro. H. M. P. de Roche for officially visiting Melville Lodge. I regret that I did not have the pleasure of visiting those Lodges personally but this was not possible owing to gasoline and tire shortages.

The Lodges in District No. 10 are on the whole in a healthy condition and are carrying on our Masonic work in a progressive manner. The work in almost all the Lodges is well and creditably performed.

A few of the Lodges in this District are hampered by having too small a number of resident members and those communities have few possible candidates by reason of all the eligible young men of the District being away in the service of their King and Country. There is no doubt that when this war is over and the young men return to their homes, the membership of those Lodges will increase materially.

The District Meeting held at Canora was well attended and the Brethren enjoyed meeting with and hearing their Grand Master and their Grand Secretary and enjoyed the annual get-to-gether very much.

I have considered it a very great honour, a pleasure and a privilege to act as D.D.G.M. for District No. 10 and I wish my successor every success.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. STEWART, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 11

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 11.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple at Swift Current, Friday, July 3rd, 1942. Nine of the eleven Lodges of the District were represented, which comprised a voting strength of 45. The meeting was honoured with the presence of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser; the Grand Junior Warden, R.W. Bro. Fred Hayes; the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate; V.W. Bro. H. M. Gracie, Grand Steward, and R.W. Bro. R. L. Harper, D.D.G.M. for District No. 12. W. Bro. Taylor, Mayor of the City of Swift Current, extended a welcome on behalf of the City.

R.W. Bro. Heffer, Immediate Past D.D.G.M. gave his report covering his work for the past year, and was highly commended by the Grand Master on the exceptionally well prepared report, and having so faithfully discharged his duties while in office. After the reading of the Minutes of the last annual District Meeting by R.W. Bro. McPhail, the Brethren had the pleasure of seeing a very impressive exemplification of the Funeral Service at the Graveside by the Officers and Past Masters of Swift Current Lodge, under the direction of their able Chaplain, W. Bro. MacIntosh. They were highly commended by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master on their efficiency.

It is a great pleasure to incorporate in this report, the following report of the Immediate Past D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. E. W. Heffer, Tompkins, who so kindly visited three of the Lodges for me.

"I submit herewith my report as your deputy in connection with the visiting and compiling of the reports, together with my observations, obtained from the three Lodges assigned to me, namely Maple Leaf No. 9, Cypress No. 70 and Progressive No. 141.

First you will note from the D.D.G.M. reports there are no suggestions from me for improvement in these Lodges. Frankly I did not see any weaknesses in any of them. These Lodges are functioning well and are doing much to aid in combatting our enemies. They are maintaining their Masonic activities effectively. It is obviously necessary that inter-lodge visits and social affairs be somewhat curtailed in order to contribute a maximum effort to our country's war needs and to assist in bringing this war to a successful conclusion.

There is a belief that Lodge Membership will expand extensively after the war ends. This belief is based on experience from the last war. However, caution is recommended lest sentimentality over-balance constitutional requirements in candidates.

Lodges visited are actively engaged in collecting funds for the G. M. W. R. Fund. I also noted that the Red Cross and other good organizations are benefitting from these Lodges. These Lodges are continuing the purchase of war savings certificates and bonds and members are continuing to enlist in the armed forces.

The new plan relative to keeping of accurate information of Masons serving in the forces, together with that of sons and daughters of Freemasons is an additional proof that Masonry is in action. I hope that not only members and Lodges, but the Grand Lodge itself, will send messages to them from time to time. A grand way to display our appreciation of them.

In conclusion I express my thanks to Grand Lodge for the privilege of deputizing for you and thank you and the brethren of District No. 11 for accepting me as such. I have added more to my Masonic knowledge and trust I have been of some of little service to Masonry."

R.W. Bro. Heffer has outlined very thoroughly the conditions of Masonry in this District, to which I may add that more time should be given to the study of the Grand Lodge Constitution and the Annual Proceedings. Also, if the Auditors would sign and date all books audited at the completion of their audit, it would assist in ascertaining when and by whom the last audit was made.

A number of the Brethren have been unable to pay their dues, due to the unfavorable weather conditions of last Fall, as a large percentage of the crop in the District has remained in the fields over winter. This has restricted to an extent Masonic Activities, and has curtailed the collection for the G. M. W. R. Fund, although the District on the whole has had a larger number of candidates for initiation this year than for a number of years past.

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to all the Brethren of the District for the great honour they bestowed upon me in selecting me to the office of D.D.G.M. A special note of thanks to R.W. Bro. Gaffield, R.W. Bro. Rimmer and R.W. Bro. Heffer for their kind assistance and co-operation. To my successor, W. Bro. H. Long, of

Lancer Lodge No. 123, I extend my best wishes for a year as full of work and happiness as mine has been.

Fraternally submitted,

M. L. SMITH, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 12

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 12.

The District Meeting was held at Rosetown on July 13th, with a registration of 51 in all, the register showing 44 Brethren of the district and 7 visitors, including the M.W. the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. Seven of the nine Lodges were represented with a voting strength of 30.

At 2.00 p.m. a Board of Installed Masters was opened for instruction of Brethren present, which was reviewed and corrected by the Grand Secretary and which was very instructive. The district meeting was called to order at 2.40 p.m. The M.W. the Grand Master, Bro. Douglas Fraser, and the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, were presented and introduced by R.W. Bro. G. V. Wiggins, Past District Deputy, and were welcomed from the chair, invited to the East, and given customary honours. The M.W. the Grand Master kindly responded to the welcome, and spoke briefly on his visits to the Lodges, Flag Ceremony, and other items, interesting to all present. The minutes of the last District Meeting held in Elrose on August 6th, 1941, were read by Bro. Wilson, acting secretary of the meeting. These were duly adopted. R.W. Bro. G. V. Wiggins the retiring District Deputy Grand Master gave his report for his term of office, which was given in order and was very interesting. The Graveside Ceremony was then put on by Rosetown Brethren, and corrected by the M.W. the Grand Master and Grand Secretary. The M.W. the Grand Master requested that each incoming W.M. kindly endeavour to get up this ceremony, so that if necessary it could be well exemplified. This ceremony was very instructive and many questions were asked and duly answered by our Grand Lodge officials.

The monthly publication was then discussed by the Brethren and it was decided to endorse the idea of having same published, which has been accomplished and has been put in circulation. The Grand Master's War Relief Fund was discussed and on a standing vote, the Brethren endorsed the idea of continuing the fund. It has been very ably supported by some Lodges in the district, but unfortunately, not so good by others, to date. I wrote these delinquent Lodges advising them to kindly have their contributions in by March 31st, 1943, as the fund closed on that date.

There was a brief discussion of Districts and of D.D.G. Masters, as to increasing the number of districts, and decreasing the number of Lodges in each district, which was to be considered throughout the year and finally dealt with at Grand Lodge.

District Meeting adjourned at 4.30 p.m. and resumed at 7.30 p.m. with the Flag Ceremony, with ladies present, the District Meeting proper resuming labour at 7.45 p.m. with ladies retiring.

The Grand Secretary gave an inspiring address on Freemasonry and Youth and recommended each Lodge in the district form a War Service Committee, which I also recommended on my official visits. This address was well given and much appreciated by all present.

The selection of D.D.G.M. was then proceeded with and two nominations were received. W. Bro. Wallace McDougald of Rosetown Lodge No. 91 and W. Bro. McFaul of Zealandia Lodge No. 85. W. Bro. McFaul requested his name be withdrawn and the M.W. Grand Master declared W. Bro. McDougald selected.

The M.W. Grand Master then gave his address on Freemasonry in a Warring World. He touched on what Masonry was doing at the present time, the Grand Master's War Relief Fund, and many other items. His address was interesting and instructive, and well received by the Brethren present. The only regret was that there were not more Brethren present to hear this address.

I have visited four Lodges in the district, the others being visited by Past District Deputies to economize on gas and rubber. From the reports received I would consider that Masonry is in good condition in some Lodges and fair in others, with many new members in some Lodges of the district.

In the Lodges I visited I referred to the Grand Master's War Relief Fund, War Service Committees, and the Graveside Ceremony, with my special remarks on, Charges of a Freemason, and the humble representative of King Solomon.

The response to the Grand Master's War Relief Fund to date, January 30th, was good in some Lodges, but not so good in others, owing to poor harvesting conditions of the 1942 crop, and general financial conditions. The last report I received was January 30th, so am hoping by March 30th it will at least come up to the amount received last year.

Masonry, I believe, in District No. 12 is by all reports in a favourable condition financially. Total arrears for dues for 1941 was $1,505.85 with 82 members, while in 1942 it was $1,587.55 with 127 members, which shows 45 more but only $81.70 more arrears.

The Lodge notices show most Lodges to be taking in new members and I would recommend that more Past Masters be requested to exemplify degree work, in order to keep them interested in Lodge work, and would also recommend as much visiting between Lodges as possible.

In conclusion I wish to say I am deeply grateful to the Brethren of District No. 12 for selecting me to this high office, and to the M.W. Grand Master for confirming it, also for his school of instruction for his D.D. Grand Masters after the Grand Lodge session at Regina. To have the opportunity of knowing M.W. Bro. Fraser, and to serve him, has indeed been a pleasure. My year of office has been a pleasant experience and will always be a treasured memory.

I also wish to thank the Past D. D. Grand Masters who so kindly deputized for me in making official visits to the different Lodges. I feel I owe them a deep debt of gratitude, and hope to be able to further the interests of Masonry in District No. 12, not forgetting R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, who was always ready and willing to kindly help me in my work, especially during my visit to

Ontario on account of my Mother's illness. All these Brethren I wish to thank, and hope to meet at Grand Lodge session in Saskatoon this year.

Fraternally submitted,

R. L. HARPER, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 13

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 13.

This District extends from Perdue in the East to Macklin in the West and as far south as Loverna and comprises 12 Lodges.

The District Meeting was held at Kerrobert on the 8th of July, 1942, with 86 Brethren in attendance and a voting strength of 59. Nine Lodges were represented. Twenty-four hours of heavy rain prevented Brethren from the other three Lodges from attending.

The meeting, which was opened by the D.D.G.M., was honoured by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Douglas Fraser; Right Worshipful Brother R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary and Worshipful Brother Downton, Grand Steward, who were received with customary honours after being introduced by Right Worshipful Bro. A. M. Bell of Kilwinning Lodge. Brother Campbell of Kerrobert extended a sincere welcome on behalf of Kerrobert Lodge After the minutes of the last District Meeting were read and confirmed, one minute's silence was observed out of respect for Brother Thos. Caston of Macklin Lodge, who has paid the supreme sacrifice.

It was unanimously decided by standing vote that the War Relief Fund should be continued, as we considered this one of our outstanding obligations. From 7 to 8 p.m. a splendid musical programme was rendered under the able chairmanship of W. Bro. R. L. Hanbidge of Kerrobert.

The Grand Secretary gave a stirring address on Freemasonry and Youth, and made helpful suggestions for recognizing Youth's contributions to the war. The Grand Master gave an inspiring address on Freemasonry in a War Torn World and was accorded an enthusiastic reception.

Brother W. J. Bowie of Paragon Lodge No. 118 was declared selected as D.D.G.M. for District No. 13 and in a few well chosen words thanked the Brethren for the honour.

It was with regret that Bro. A. R. Smith's resignation as Secretary of District No. 13 was accepted. Bro. Smith has served in this capacity for a number of years, with faithfulness and sincerity.

Owing to war restrictions it was thought wise by the Grand Master to have Past D.D.G. Masters in three parts of the district represent the D.D.G.M. and make official visits to the Lodges in their respective parts of the district. Those appointed were Past D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. W. M. Smith, Biggar; Past D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. J. Rodney, Kerrobert and Past D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. G. Weese, Kelfield. To these Brethren

who so willingly and unselfishly devoted their time to helping in this work, I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation.

The impressions received from all visits made were that Masonry as a whole in this District is in a prosperous condition and holds a real place in the life of the community. In spite of adverse weather conditions, an increase in number of meetings held was noted and a decrease in arrears of dues. In every Lodge I found earnest, well-informed officers, able to do their work impressively and in a uniform manner. Papers on Masonic study and research were received enthusiastically and were eagerly discussed, providing a source of inspiration and education. The secretaries of the respective Lodges were efficient and exact in their work and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking them for their assistance and unfailing kindness during the past year. During my visits, I tried to impress upon the brethren the beauty and sacredness of the teachings of the Masonic Order and the importance of living them in our daily lives.

In relinquishing the office of D.D.G.M., I wish to express my thanks to the brethren of District No. 13 for the privilege and honour of serving them during the past year. I assure you my duties have been a real pleasure and wherever I visited I was met with fraternal co-operation, kindness and courtesy. For this and all you have done to make my term of office pleasant, I thank you. I know that my successor will meet with the same kindness and co-operation.

Let me express the hope that during these difficult times, the principles of Masonry will be upheld with dignity and loyalty.

"To do whatever is our duty
And give it strength and give it beauty
Is a work that's well worth doing."

Fraternally submitted,

R. J. McAUSLAN, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 14

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 14.

The District Meeting was held at Kincaid, July 2nd, 1942. This being the first District Meeting there was not much time for organization, however the attendance was good. District No. 14 is comprised of 13 Lodges, nine of these were represented at the afternoon session and ten at the evening session; some of the Lodges having quite large representations.

M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, were introduced to the meeting by R.W. Bro. Wm. Barber (128). During the M.W. Grand Master's opening remarks a fitting tribute was made to the late M.W. Brother H. M. Underhill, whom he sadly missed as a close friend.

Splendid and inspiring addresses were delivered by the M.W. Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. Tate. It was a session filled with business and

the Brethren came away from the meeting feeling that much good had been accomplished. The Brethren of District No. 14 voted 100% to continue the Grand Master's War Relief Fund.

At the evening session, W. Bro. J. C. Cram (112), was selected to fill the office of D.D.G.M. for the ensuing Masonic year.

For reasons of economy in travel the M.W. Grand Master very wisely divided the District into three parts, in so far as official visits were concerned. P.D.D.G.M. E. O. Cox (109) was commissioned to visit four Lodges in the east portion of the District and P.D.D.G.M. Wm. Wallace (138) four Lodges in the central part of the District, leaving the west portion of the District for my attention.

All the Lodges in the District have been visited officially with the exception of one, St. John's Lodge No. 106, Assiniboia. Arrangements were made to visit this Lodge on two different occasions, however blocked roads and a bad storm prevented a visit being made on either occasion.

R.W. Brothers Cox and Wallace gave full co-operation to this plan and gave willingly of their time, experience, and ability, to the performance of the duties assigned to them. I am sure that the good of the Craft has not suffered in any way from this arrangement.

Condition of Masonry in District No. 14. Due to changing conditions in war time, many factors enter into arriving at an opinion as to the condition of Masonry in many Lodges today. Many of our Brethren have responded to our country's call and are in uniform. Many others have established residence for the duration in industrial centres, an extra burden being imposed on those left to carry on. Help is difficult to obtain and most of the Brethren are working harder and longer hours at their vocations than ever before. Taking these factors into consideration I believe that Masonry is holding its own, and that much improvement will be shown when conditions return to normal.

I find that the majority of the Lodges in the District are making considerable use of the study papers and material sent out from the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education. Many of the Lodges have Masonic libraries. Some of them do not contain many volumes and with the exception of three or four Lodges little use is made of them. This would suggest that while material is available for Masonic study and research, leadership is lacking and leadership is required to prepare this material and information and place it in the hands of the several Lodges so that the most good may be derived from it.

Some of the Lodges particularly need new members. I find that Past Masters are filling the offices in a very creditable manner. These Brethren are faithful. However, it is difficult for them to bring the same zest and interest into filling an office they have already had and in some cases several times. I am of the opinion that new and younger members filling these offices for the first time and seeking advancement would be most beneficial to these Lodges.

On my visits and contacts with the several Lodges I found a fine spirit of fraternal feeling and friendship prevailing. There are two Lodges in the District who find it difficult to meet regularly for two reasons, namely: small membership and the members scattered over a large area with travel conditions in winter preventing many of them from attending. On the other hand I found on my visit to Glenedyth

Lodge No. 188, Climax, that the Junior Warden had driven a distance of over forty miles. Other officers present had come 25 to 30 miles and there were three visitors present from the State of Montana. At Azure Lodge No. 122, Eastend, the Worshipful Master had travelled over 12 miles of almost impassable road. The candidate was required to be absent from home two days travelling by train a distance of 60 miles and this was the nearest Masonic Lodge. The roads were in bad condition the evening of my visit to Admiral Lodge No. 199 but the attendance was 75% of the resident membership and 14 members from other Lodges visited. This Lodge has a committee who keep in touch with all men from their district in the forces overseas. They write them regularly and are doing a great deal of good in this way. On my visit to Cadillac Lodge No. 126 despite the fact that their membership is largely composed of farmers and spring threshing and seeding were in progress, the attendance was very good and 13 visitors were present. Under present conditions these are, in my opinion, encouraging facts.

Reorganization of Districts. District No. 14 is over 200 miles in length with a daily train service, one train each way in the eastern portion of the district and tri-weekly in the west. This makes it necessary to take two days to visit many of the Lodges if travelling is done by train. No D.D.G.M. can do full justice to his duties unless he is fortunate to have considerable available time. Few men can spare the time required from their business or positions to do full justice to the duties required of them. I note that in previous reports D.D. G. Masters in other districts have recommended that serious consideration be given to some change being made in Masonic Districts. I would humbly suggest that this matter be given further serious thought with a view to train service, highways and other local conditions as they exist today, which in many instances are much different than when these Masonic Districts were formed.

Arrears of dues and financial position of lodges. It is to be noted that there are six Lodges in the District with very large outstanding arrears of dues, the dues in these cases being top heavy per capita of membership. Where this is the case I discussed the matter with the officers. It was suggested that a committee be appointed to make a special effort to have these arrears reduced. In some cases the arrears have been carried for as long as seven years. Investigation has shown that most of these cases appear to be chronic and that while a large percent of them are in a position to pay these dues, no attempt has been made to do so. Since my visit I have received from one Lodge notice that they have suspended four members owing over a total of $170 in arrears. Other Lodges may find it necessary to take similar action.

On the other hand there are several Lodges in the district whose arrears of dues are not large per capita of membership. I note that five Lodges have not written off any amounts for arrears uncollectable. This is not good practice and does not give a true picture of the financial standing of the Lodges in question. District No. 14 is fortunate in having some very capable secretaries. In most Lodges I found the books well kept and in very satisfactory condition, exception being the Historical Register.

The Tracing Board. In my contacts with the several Lodges of the district I find that the publication of "The Tracing Board" has been the subject of many favourable comments by the Craft.

Most of the Lodges have subscribed to this publication one hundred percent and I am sure this will afford considerable pleasure and satisfaction to its able and capable editor in chief, Rev. Bro. Geo. Robins (110), and the Grand Lodge Committee responsible for its publication.

Appreciation. I wish to tender my thanks and appreciation to all who have assisted me in my duties during the past year. It has been a pleasure and privilege to serve District No. 14 as D.D.G.M. The Brethren have extended every courtesy and a splendid fraternal spirit during my term of office. To the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries for information cheerfully furnished when requested. To R.W. Brothers Cox and Wallace for their willing and valuable co-operation in making official visits on my behalf. To the officers of Grand Lodge and the Brethren of Shaunavon and other near-by Lodges, who accompanied me in large numbers on my official visits.

Fraternally submitted,
G. R. BINKLEY, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 15

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 15.

As D.D.G.M. of this District I would first of all thank the Brethren of District No. 15 for the honour they conferred on me and to assure them that it was a pleasure to have filled this responsible position. I sincerely thank the Brethren for the courtesies and co-operation received during my term of office.

I personally visited four of the ten Lodges. The other Lodges, namely, Wynyard, Foam Lake, Elfros, Wadena, Invermay and Kelvington were very ably served by Right Worshipful Brothers G. F. Gillespie and James Young. This was made necessary in order to co-operate with the government to conserve gas and tires and it looks as if this method will have to suffice for the duration of the war. In any case, I consider it a wise and economical move. While I would have greatly appreciated meeting the Brethren of all Lodges in the District, under the circumstances I had to forego the pleasure but hope to yet meet them on my own initiative at a more opportune time.

The District Meeting was held at Lanigan on July 16th, 1942. The attendance was not as good as we would have liked to have seen, only four Lodges being represented, but I feel quite sure that the gas and tire rationing adversely affected the attendance. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, was received and accorded the grand honours. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master's address on Masonry in a Warring World was well received. The Grand Secretary's on Freemasonry and Youth was most instructive. R.W. Brother Stackhouse, assisted by several Brethren, exemplified in a very solemn and appropriate manner, the graveside portion of the Masonic Funeral Ceremony, which was very instructive.

The statistical report, you will note, shows a slight improvement over the previous year, both in attendance and financially. The ritual

work in the Lodges is very well done. But if Masonry is to flourish and extend in this District it is very necessary that new members, young, vigorous and of good character, be encouraged. This is somewhat difficult now as so many of our young men are away on active service. Masonry can best serve youth on their return by association with them, seeing that they are respected and wanted in their communities, and co-operating with local authorities and other organizations to do everything possible to assist in the rehabilitation and establishment of these young returned men and their families, regardless of Masonic affiliations or otherwise, as long as they are of good character.

It is my opinion that the D.D.G.M. should serve two years if it were possible for them to do so, as they would be more experienced and able to give constructive leadership.

In conclusion I would kindly ask the Brethren of District No. 15 to extend to my successor the same co-operation and courtesy I so greatly appreciated receiving.

Fraternally submitted,
DENNIS H. CHIVERS, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT No. 16

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 16.

In submitting my report for District 16, I find it difficult to give a clear and comprehensive picture of the condition of Masonry in this district, owing to the set-up under which I performed my duties that of having the privilege of visiting only four of the eleven Lodges personally. The other seven were under the supervision and guidance of R.W. Bro. Gunn and R.W. Bro. Medland, respectively, both of whom I wish to thank very sincerely for their kind and wholehearted co-operation in all matters relative to our respective duties.

My duties commenced at the District Meeting held at Watrous on July 20th, 1942. The meeting was well attended, considering the distance many of the Brethren had to travel and the gas and travelling restrictions.

We were honoured with the presence of M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. J. Orville Clarke, and other distinguished Brethren. The highlights of the meeting were the stirring addresses by the M.W. the Grand Master and R.W. Bro. Tate. The Flag Ceremony was exemplified by R.W. Bro. Tate and became part of the opening and closing exercises in all Lodges in the district.

The gathering also voted unanimously to support the Grand Master's Second War Relief Fund. The selection of the District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1943-44 was then proceeded with, which resulted in the selection of W. Bro. Sam Orr of Acacia Lodge No. 101.

Through my personal contacts and by the information furnished me by the reports of the deputies working with me, I am pleased to

report that all Lodges in District No. 16 are holding up well under the stress of war conditions. I find that nearly all Lodges are feeling very keenly the loss of their younger members to the war services. This naturally is reflected in the attendance and is making it difficult in many instances for the older members to carry on.

With regard to new members, nearly all Lodges in the District have received one or more candidates, Acacia Lodge No. 101 leading all others with seven new members to date and prospects for more.

I witnessed degree work in all Lodges I visited except one, and found the officers very proficient and capable.

I have endeavoured throughout my term of office to emphasize the importance of carrying out the programme of the Freemasonry and Youth Movement, and in many Lodges the response has been very favourable. Many of the Lodges have a strong and active War Service Committee. In other Lodges the response has not been so favourable.

I wish to avail myself of this opportunity to express to the Brethren of District No. 16 my thanks for the honour conferred upon me and for the many kindnesses and courtesies extended to me during my term of office, also for the whole-hearted co-operation given me by R.W. Bro. Gunn and R.W. Bro. Medland who have assisted me in carrying out my duties.

Although having laboured under many difficulties and restrictions it has been an enjoyable experience.

Fraternally submitted,

W. W. STRATTON, D.D.G.M.

DISTRICT NO. 17

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit herewith my report as District Deputy Grand Master for District No. 17.

The District Meeting was held at Outlook on July 14th, 1942 at 2 o'clock.

Owing to wind and rain only thirty five members were present. The meeting was honoured by the presence of M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. J. C. Carter, G.S.W., who were duly introduced by R.W. Bro. A. McPherson and accorded Grand Honours.

The M.W. the Grand Master briefly addressed the Brethren, after which he explained the Flag Ceremony which was to take place that evening. The funeral service was then demonstrated by the Brethren of Outlook Lodge No. 65. The cramped space and few members of Outlook Lodge mitigated against the exemplification of this ceremony properly, but the work was reasonably well done.

At the evening session the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Tate, gave an address on "Freemasonry and Youth" which was much appreciated. Following this Wor. Bro. McGregor of Outlook Lodge was selected District Deputy Grand Master for the ensuing year.

District No. 17 comprises 11 lodges, all of which I visited once. I was very pleased with the efficiency of the Officers and Brethren. There is very little new material coming in owing to adverse conditions, as most of our young men are in His Majesty's Forces. My visits were made from December to February and considering road conditions, attendance was good and the Brethren displayed a pleasing interest in Masonry.

Now when we are approaching that great problem just ahead of us —"Peace on earth, good will to men", let us unitedly strive to do our full share toward the accomplishment of a better world for the common man to live in. We need more members, yes, but perhaps to instil more Masonry into Masons might attract more Masons into Masonry.

In conclusion may I say how happy I have been in the work during this year of office. It has done me a world of good and I wish to thank the Secretaries especially for their great assistance. If I have helped the Craft in general, I am greatly pleased.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. MIDDAGH, D.D.G.M.

Selection D.D.G.M.s

The M.W. the Grand Master announced that it would be necessary for the representatives of the Lodges in Districts No. 9 and 17, present at this Communication, to meet immediately after the close of the afternoon session and, in each instance, select a Brother whom they wished to recommend for appointment as D.D.G.M. of their District.

The hour having arrived for adjournment the Grand Master called the Craft from labour to refreshment.

THE FIRST DAY——AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 1.30 p.m., M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Reception Grand Representatives

The Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, assembled in the approaches to Grand Lodge.

The Representatives of the Grand Lodges in the British Commonwealth of Nations were individually announced by the Grand Pursuivant, entered and assembled at the Altar. The Brethren joined in singing "Land of Hope and Glory."

The Representatives of the Grand Lodges in the United States were individually announced by the Grand Pursuivant, entered and assembled at the Altar. The Brethren joined in singing "God Bless America."

The Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions were individually announced by the Grand Pursuivant, entered and assembled at the Altar. The Brethren joined in singing "God Bless our Native Land."

M.W. Bro. James McCauley, Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England, in extending greetings and felicitations on behalf of the Grand Jurisdictions represented, said:

"Most Worshipful Grand Master, we, the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, bring you warm fraternal greetings and good wishes from the bodies that we respectively represent.

"We hope you will have a most harmonious Communication and that your deliberations will bring great and lasting benefits, not only to your Grand Lodge and its members, but to Freemasonry at large.

"We congratulate you, M.W. Sir, on the splendid year of leadership you have rendered to the Craft in this Jurisdiction, a year that will long be remembered and looked upon as one of the outstanding years in the history of our Grand Lodge.

"We again meet under the stress of a war of global proportions. Freemasonry, which is spread over the habital surface of the globe, has always held the torch of truth and liberty high and stood for the doctrine of the 'Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man,' and is respected and appreciated by all freedom-loving peoples. In those countries which have been overrun by our enemies, it has been suppressed; its treasures looted; its property seized and sold and the proceeds converted to their own use; its members persecuted and its leaders imprisoned and many of them executed. .

"The Light of Freemasonry has been swept from its Altar by our enemies, and 'evil seems to triumph,' but we believe there are still glimmers of light in many secret places and that 'right will yet triumph,' though Monarchies may fall, Nations be obliterated, Republics be dissolved and their peoples be enslaved. Freemasonry, founded on truth and the Holy Bible, will live forever, for the Eternal years of God are hers.

"We pray the Eternal Ruler of the Universe, that peace, lasting peace, will soon be restored to the world, with victory to the forces of truth and justice, and that henceforth the principles of Freemasonry will be the rule and guide of conduct, not only to the members of the Craft, but to the world at large."

The Grand Master acknowledged the greetings as follows:

"In the name of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M., I welcome you to this Convocation and thank you for your kind words of greeting and encouragement.

"We recognize in you the legally authorized legates of the several Grand Lodges throughout the Masonic world with which we are in fraternal relationship. In addressing you therefore, I address myself vicariously to all Masons everywhere.

"All civilization is undergoing the most terrible calamity in the most terrible form that has yet befallen the human race. No institution of free men has borne the brunt of the attack more grievously than has Freemasonry. These are indeed evil days but Masonry was made for foul weather as well as fair. Though the assassins 'do their worst still we shall do our best.' Think you that Masonry, though officially proscribed, is in fact suppressed? I am very sure that in the caves, on the hilltops, in the forests, faithful Brethren still perform our rites, assemble, work, fraternize and rededicate themselves to the Masonic way of life and to the G.A.O.T.U. We believe you are the ambassadors of hope for the future and good cheer for the present, and represent a vital, vibrant living force that will not perish from the earth.

"I charge you, therefore, to convey the fraternal greetings of this Grand Lodge to the several Grand Bodies you represent. Tell them that here we still maintain pure and unsullied the ancient tenets of the Craft—that here we preserve the ancient landmarks confident that guided by them we shall reach the sure goal of our tradition—that here we work on the Temple with the trowel in one hand and the sword in the other —but we still work!

"Brethren in you we recognize and through you we salute Masonry Universal."

The Grand Representatives were then accorded Grand Honours.

Address

R.W. Brother Samuel Burland, Deputy Grand Master of the Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was called on and briefly addressed Grand Lodge. Brother Burland conveyed greetings and felicitations on behalf of M.W. Brother B. C. Parker and the Brethren of Manitoba.

Presentation — Grand Lodge of Scotland — Honourary Membership

M.W. Brother Robt. Young, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Scotland near the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, presented a certificate of membership in the Grand Lodge of Scotland, with the rank of Honourary Grand Senior Warden, to M.W. Brother Clinton Philip Seeley. Brother Seeley in accepting the certificate of membership paid tribute to the Brethren of Saskatchewan who, by their generosity, had brought this splendid recognition to him and Saskatchewan Freemasonry.

On motion of M.W. Bros. J. W. MacNeill and W. M. Martin it was resolved, that, "The thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to the Grand Lodge of Scotland for the Honourary Membership with the rank of Grand Senior Warden conferred on M.W. Brother Clinton Philip Seeley of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan."

Report of Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams presented the report of the Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams and J. McGregor, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

For your consideration your Benevolent Fund Trustees submit the following report:

As we consider and try to visualize the conditions under which so many people in far-off lands are living, or trying to live, to-day, we must surely conclude that we in Saskatchewan are fortunate indeed to be able to follow our usual vocations without let or hindrance except for a few minor restrictions which have imposed little or no hardship on anyone. As civilians we have made no sacrifice; probably we have not practised much self-denial.

Even though we know that still darker and stormier days lie ahead before Success and Victory shall have crowned the efforts of the United

Nations, nevertheless, we face the future "With a firm but humble confidence," hoping and praying that from the ashes of the present conflagration there shall arise a new and better world, built upon the foundation stones of Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice wherein men of all creeds and tongues will know the true meaning and live by the tenets of Virtue, Morality and Brotherly Love. In such a world only can we hope to see the maintenance of an enduring peace and the banishment of inequality of opportunity, insecurity, want and fear.

But while we look forward toward that "tomorrow" we must not neglect the opportunities nor shirk the obligations of "today." Through our Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund all of us are given one opportunity to practice that virtue which we have all professed to admire and to fulfill our fraternal obligation toward our unfortunate brethren, their widows or children.

While there are many things we might be tempted to say about Benevolence, its comparable place amongst a host of other Masonic Virtues, what should be the guiding pinciples in its application, where it should begin and where it should end, we feel that the real purpose of this report is to place before you at not too great length an account of our Stewardship during the year ended March 31st, 1943. This we shall proceed to do.

Your Trustees and the Executive Officers of the Board have continued to give prompt, careful and sympathetic consideration to every worthy case in respect of which application for assistance has been made. The application form which has been in use for some considerable time and upon which one whole page is reserved for general information and report has simplified our procedure to a great extent in that it eliminates the necessity of writing for such general information as was usually not supplied while the old forms were in use. And just here your Trustees want to commend the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries of the various Lodges for the very informative reports usually inserted on page three of the application forms.

Due no doubt to the greater opportunities for employment during the past year with the more buoyant revenues resulting therefrom, applications for assistance have not been as numerous as they were last year. The aggregate amount of all grants is less than it was one year ago. Comparative figures are:

	Year ending March 31, 1942	Year ending March 31, 1943
Number of grants	95	88
Aggregate grants	$15,471.00	$13,643.00
Average grants (approx.).	162.00	155.00

Following our usual custom, material for use in Constituent Lodges on Benevolent Fund Night was prepared and distributed. We hope you found it to be useful and beneficial.

In addition to a number of meetings of the Executive, three meetings of the Board were held during the year—June 16, 1942; November 16, 1942 and March 25th, 1943. No meeting of the Board was held in the Fall of 1940 nor 1941. There was a special reason for holding the fall meeting last year (November 16th) to which reference will be made later in this report.

In our report last year we referred to a voluntary contribution of $54.65 made by Gothic Lodge No. 105, received too late to be incorporated in last year's financial statement. This is included in this year's statement.

In addition to the above and **included** in the statement in your hands are the following voluntary contributions; each of which has been most sincerely appreciated and gratefully acknowledged:

Gothic Lodge No. 105	$ 41.00	(Benevolent Fund Box)
Mossbank Lodge No. 129	20.00	(Contribution)
Sceptre Lodge No. 140	14.82	(Collections)
Dunblane Lodge No. 148	10.00	(Contribution)

The Auditor's report reveals that our revenue by way of interest for the year was $17,504.76. After deducting the aforementioned net grants, the grant of $1,000.00 to the general fund, and the ordinary incidental expenses, the balance transferred to Revenue Surplus Account was $2,681.00. The Capital of the Fund, plus Revenue Reserve, totalled $371,850.63 as at March 31, 1942—an increase of $11,333.87.

In addition to the sum of $40.00 paid to the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau to cover its out-of-pocket expenses, during the past twelve months $13,922.50 has been paid out from the Fund for assistance as follows:

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
1	Kinistino	Mrs. M.S.	$22.50
2	Wascana	Mrs. M.P.D.	60.00
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Bro. A.M.R.	250.00
5	Indian Head	Mrs. E. B.	330.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. E. R. D.	120.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. W. K. W.	90.00
11	N.W.M.P.	Mrs. R. M.	240.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	180.00
15	Amity	Bro. N. E. M.	300.00
16	Saskatchewan	Bro. S. V. K.	180.00
16	Saskatchewan	Mrs. J. H. B.	120.00
16	Saskatchewan	Mrs. J. E. H.	120.00
19	Battle	Miss E. T.	144.00
23	Britannia	Mrs. A. B.	168.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. E. H.	204.00
26	Swift Current.	Mrs. H. E. C.	27.00
26	Swift Current.	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
28	Hanley	Mrs. M. M.	25.00
32	Golden Rule	Mrs. H. L. C.	100.00
33	Davidson	Bro. G. W. Z.	120.00
33	Davidson	Mrs. C. G. D.	120.00
35	Prince Rupert	Mrs. H. J. M.	168.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	216.00
39	Boscurvis	Mrs. W. N.	180.00
43	Ishpaming	Bro. E. F. B.	216.00
45	Aurora	Mrs. W. W. G.	240.00
46	Strasbourg.	Bro. F. C. S.	90.00
48	Grayson	Mrs. G. B.	240.00
53	Nanatah	Mrs. H. T.	60.00
58	King Solomon.	Mrs. J. R.	200.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
62	Melville	Bro. W. R. A.	240.00
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	280.00
68	Govan	Mrs. K. A. H.	108.00
68	Govan	Bro. S. W.	78.00
69	Carrot River	Mrs. J. B.	180.00
71	Doric	Mrs. J. M.	90.00
73	Unity	Mrs. N. E. W.	315.00

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
76	Tisdale		120.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. G. O.	300.00
83	Meridian	Bro. A. J. S.	13.50
83	Meridian	Mrs. W. J.	108.00
84	Lanigan	Mrs. B.	54.00
85	Zealandia	Mrs. G. H.	216.00
85	Zealandia	Mrs. A. N. S.	81.00
86	Kindersley	Mrs. D. J. H.	300.00
86	Kindersley	Bro. W. T. F.	120.00
91	Rosetown	Bro. D. L.	30.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. T. F. B.	120.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. G. J. L.	120.00
93	Morse	Mrs. F. B.	225.00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
95	Evergreen	Bro. W. Y.	125.00
96	Yellow Grass	Mrs. J. O.	240.00
98	Union	Bro. G. C.	182.50
103	Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. F	180.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. W.H.	210.00
109	Limerick	Bro. A. B.	90.00
110	Shaunavon	Bro. G. F. W.	60.00
113	Broderick	Bro. D. M.	105.00
114	Central Butte	Mrs. H. W. J.	270.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. A. M.	180.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. H. P.	60.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. J. M.	99.00
123	Lancer	Bro. W. C. M.	108.00
124	Mount Hermon	Mrs. A. J.	162.00
125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B.	48.00
130	Togo	Bro. A. B. M.	300.00
133	Philathea	Bro. J. R.	40.00
136	St. George	Mrs. F. J. P.	75.00
141	Progressive	Mrs. B. G. F.	240.00
143	Hawarden	Bro. A. E. B.	150.00
143	Hawarden	Mrs. A. E. B.	95.00
143	Hawarden	Bro. G. C.	120.00
145	Elfros	Mrs. G. H.	240.00
145	Elfros	Mrs. M. S.	240.00
147	Elstow	Mrs. N. L.	240.00
151	Viscount	Bro. A. S. M.	120.00
154	Banner	Mrs. McG	60.00
175	Radville	Bro. J. R. M.	75.00
179	Kelvington	Bro. T. H. C.	309.00
182	Lonach	Mrs. L. T.	144.00
189	Herschel	Mrs. R. G.	300.00
189	Herschel	Mrs. G. A. M.	50.00
195	Pleasantdale	Bro. J. R. M.	162.00
199	Admiral	Bro. A. C. K.	240.00

The following amounts have been refunded in connection with grants previously made:

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
26	Swift Current	Mrs. H. E. C.	$18.00
46	Strasbourg	Bro. F. C. S.	22.50
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	50.00

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
73	Unity	Mrs. N. E. W.	240.00
83	Meridian	Bro. A. J. S.	9.00
109	Limerick	Bro. A. B.	30.00
175	Radville	Bro. J. R. M.	15.00
191	Macrorie	Bro. J. U. A.	5.00

At the meeting on March 25th the reports from the various Lodges in receipt of grants were reviewed and the following grants passed for the year 1943-44.

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
2	Wascana	Mrs. M. P. D.	60.00
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Bro. A. M. R.	250.00
5	Indian Head	Mrs. E. B.	330.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. E. R. D.	120.00
6	Qu'Appelle	Mrs. W. K. W.	90.00
11	N.W.M.P.	Mrs. R. M.	240.00
12	Yorkton	Mrs. T. B.	180.00
15	Amity	Bro. N. E. M.	300.00
16	Saskatchewan	Bro. S. V. K.	180.00
16	Saskatchewan	Mrs. J. H. B.	120.00
16	Saskatchewan	Mrs. J. E. H.	120.00
19	Battle	Miss E. T.	144.00
23	Britannia	Mrs. A. B.	168.00
25	Estevan	Mrs. E. H.	204.00
26	Swift Current	Bro. J. H.	240.00
32	Golden Rule	Mrs. H. L. C.	240.00
33	Davidson	Bro. G. W. Z.	120.00
33	Davidson	Mrs. C. G. D.	120.00
35	Prince Rupert	Mrs. H. J. M.	228.00
36	Bruce	Mrs. J. B.	216.00
39	Boscurvis.	Mrs. W. N.	180.00
43	Ishpaming	Bro. E. F. B.	216.00
45	Aurora	Mrs. W. W. G.	240.00
48	Grayson	Mrs. G. B.	240.00
58	King Solomon	Mrs. J. R.	140.00
62	Melville	Bro. J. I.	108.00
62	Melville	Bro. W. R. A.	240.00
68	Govan	Mrs. K. A. H.	108.00
68	Govan	Bro. S. W.	78.00
69	Carrot River	Mrs. J. B.	180.00
71	Doric	Mrs. J. M.	120.00
76	Tisdale		120.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. L. J. S.	300.00
80	Connaught	Mrs. G. O.	300.00
85	Zealandia.	Mrs. G. H.	216.00
86	Kindersley.	Bro. W. T. F.	120.00
86	Kindersley.	Mrs. D. J. H.	300.00
91	Rosetown.	Bro. D. L.	120.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. G. J. L.	120.00
92	Lodge Progress	Mrs. T. F. B.	180.00
95	Evergreen	Mrs. J. H.	240.00
95	Evergreen	Bro. W. Y.	120.00
96	Yellow Grass	Mrs. J. O.	240.00
98	Union	Bro. G. C.	183.00
103	Composite	Mrs. F. C.	156.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. F.	180.00
104	King Hiram	Mrs. W. H.	210.00

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
110	Shaunavon	Bro. G. F. W.	60.00
114	Central Butte	Mrs. H. W. J.	270.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. A. M.	180.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. H. P.	60.00
123	Lancer	Bro. W. C. M.	108.00
123	Lancer	Mrs. J. M.	108.00
124	Mount Hermon	Mrs. A. J.	162.00
125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B.	48.00
130	Togo	Bro. A. B. M.	300.00
133	Philathea	Bro. J. R.	40.00
136	St. George	Mrs. F. J. P.	180.00
141	Progressive	Mrs. B. G. F.	240.00
143	Hawarden	Mrs. A. E. B.	228.00
143	Hawarden	Bro. G. C.	120.00
145	Elfros	Mrs. G. H.	240.00
147	Elstow	Mrs. N. L.	240.00
151	Viscount	Bro. A. S. M.	120.00
154	Banner	Mrs. McG	60.00
179	Kelvington	Bro. T. H. C.	336.00
182	Lonach	Mrs. L. T.	144.00
189	Herschel	Mrs. G. A. M.	300.00
189	Herschel	Mrs. R. G.	180.00
195	Pleasantdale	Bro. J. R. M.	162.00
199	Admiral	Bro. A. C. K.	240.00

Since the meeting on March 25th the following grants have been approved by the Executive, and having now been approved by the Board, they may be added to the list of approved grants for the year 1943-1944:

No.	Lodge	Beneficiary	Amount
3	Moose Jaw	Mrs. P. L.	165.00
10	Evening Star	Mrs. E. E. E.	220.00
14	Sintaluta	Bro. G. F.	150.00
62	Melville	Mrs. C. V. M.	240.00
66	Wynyard	Bro. W. H. M.	300.00
125	Latomia	Mrs. A. B. increased to	96.00

Heretofore in this report we referred to the meeting of the Board held on November 16, 1942. To meet the initial expense involved in the war service work of the Grand Master's Committee on "Freemasonry and Youth," our Grand Master suggested to the Executive that a grant of $500.00 be made from the Educational Fund which your Trustees administer. While in full sympathy with the request of our Grand Master the Executive did not feel like taking definite action without the knowledge and consent of all members of the Board. Consequently a meeting was held on November 16th, 1942 at which the said grant of $500.00 was authorized and it was subsequently paid. No further comment on the work of this Committee is required as it has been fully dealt with in the address of our Grand Master.

You will no doubt be pleased to know that the sum of $6,000.00 was invested in Bonds of the Third Victory Loan and a similar amount in those of the Fourth Victory Loan.

Many present members of Grand Lodge may not be aware of the fact that a number of years ago Grand Lodge obtained title to the N.E. quarter of Sec. 33, Township 31, Range 7, West 2nd Meridian. This has not been appearing as an asset in our Annual Financial Statements because its value had never been appraised and as there did not appear to be any opportunity of disposing of it. However, during the past year

such opportunity did arise and this land was sold under Agreement for Sale to Mike Fedyk of Rama for $975.00. The cash payment was $100.00 with an additional $25.00 paid prior to March 31, 1943, out of which a payment of $25.00 on account of commission and a solicitor's fee of $3.00 were paid, leaving a net revenue of $97.00 from this source. This appears in the Auditor's report. If and when the second and third instalments of principal shall have been paid, the balance of the commission, viz. $50.00, will be payable.

Being fully aware of the assistance being provided from year to year out of the Benevolent Fund and realizing that the Capital of the Fund should certainly not be less than $500,000.00 in view of the steadily decreasing rate of interest which it will earn, your Trustees want to make one suggestion. It is this. From time to time as the Last Wills and Testaments of deceased persons are filed for Probate, it is revealed that a number of those who have left estates of considerable value have bequeathed certain sums to charitable, benevolent, educational and other institutions. In case of members of the Craft in Saskatchewan upon whom good fortune has smiled during their lives, the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund might well be remembered kindly when they are making provision for the disposition of their estates.

In view of the volume of correspondence and other work connected with the Fund in the Grand Secretary's Office and the fact that the general funds of Grand Lodge have had to be carefully conserved to avoid or materially reduce, annual deficits, thus leaving practically no funds available to meet any extraordinary expense or contingency that might arise, after serious deliberation your Trustees decided at their meeting in March last to increase the contribution to the General Fund from $1,000.00 to $2,200.00 for the year 1943-1944. We trust our action in this respect will meet with your approval.

With the exception of a few cases of unavoidable delay, and some others where such delay seemed to be unnecessary, in forwarding the required annual statements from beneficiaries together with the Lodges' recommendations regarding renewals or non-renewals of grants, your Trustees wish to pay tribute to the officers of constituent Lodges for their prompt attention to these important returns and for their continued co-operation which is of inestimable value to us in the administration of your Benevolent Fund.

Fraternally submitted,
N. B. WILLIAMS, President.

Address

M.W. Brother Russell J. Bradley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, was called on and in briefly addressing Grand Lodge extended the cordial greetings and felicitations of the Brethren of Alberta.

Report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address

M.W. Bro. C. P. Moore presented the following report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Again we are privileged to submit a report on the Grand Master's Address. There being very little similarity in the addresses of Grand

Masters from year to year, the undertaking is both pleasant and interesting. Your Committee have carefully studied the record of Most Worshipful Brother Fraser's labours and herewith present the following report for your consideration.

Endowed with a keen mind, in forceful language, tempered by expressions of gentle courtesy, our Grand Master has honoured us with an address which fairly scintillates with inspiring thoughts. Before this Grand Lodge, on frequent occasions, he has demonstrated a power of words and a gift of style which have delighted his fellow Masons. We expected great things from this man and we have not been disappointed. He entered upon his work as Grand Master with unlimited energy and enthusiasm, and his efforts to inject new life into Freemasonry will inspire his brethren and act as an incentive to those who follow him in office.

Our Grand Master's reference to district meetings is brief and to the point. We believe he showed good judgment in meeting a difficult situation by securing the services of Past District Deputy Grand Masters to undertake part of the duties of District Deputy Grand Masters, an expedient considered necessary as a result of war measures. His introduction of the Flag Ceremony in the Lodges and his lucid explanation of its symbolism will no doubt appeal to every Mason and the ceremony accepted as an appropriate practice during war years. The action of our Grand Master in sponsoring a second Masonic Relief Fund certainly meets with our approval as it reflects the very essence of Freemasonry. However, we are of the opinion that if the funds are not used for the purpose for which they were raised their disposition should be determined by the representatives in Grand Lodge.

With respect to the undertaking captioned "Freemasonry and Youth" we express approval, deeming it worthy of whole-hearted support but would suggest that the matter of rehabilitation for returned men and women be investigated to ascertain if it duplicates the proposed scheme of the Federal Government. There is a possibility also that scholarships may not appeal to all who are now in the various services of the Empire.

The "Tracing Board" undertaking is away to a good start to the infinite satisfaction of our Grand Master. It is worthy of our support and should be given a fair trial. It will no doubt improve from month to month and if the enthusiasm of its sponsor and his co-workers is any criterion its future is assured.

We do not approve the ruling of our Grand Master respecting the interpretation of Section 129 of the Constitution, which interpretation would require the Master elect to satisfy a Board of Examiners that he was fully qualified to take charge of that part of the funeral ceremony performed at the graveside. We recommend that the Master of a Lodge be required to make provision for some other brother to function in his behalf if he is unable to perform the ceremony himself.

With ruling number two we are in complete accord, as we consider the interpretation of Section 159 of the Constitution by one of our Lodges, the name and number of which is not revealed, to be a manoeuvre to evade the implied meaning of said section.

Visitations of our Grand Master are fully reported and the procedure enthusiastically endorsed. In his opinion such visits are conducive to a better understanding among the several Grand Jurisdictions concerned. In this view we concur.

We commend the action of our Grand Master in dispatching a message of condolence to the relatives of the Duke of Kent, who at the time of his tragic death was the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The concluding remarks of our Grand Master merit thoughtful consideration by the Brethren. He has given expression to his dreams for the future of Freemasonry. Truly it can be said he has adorned the office of Grand Master and as a result of a year of labour in that capacity has contributed his full share towards the development of the true spirit of Masonry. When he relinquishes the gavel of authority it will be with the assurance that he merits encomiums of the highest order and the confidence of those for whom he has laboured so earnestly.

Fraternally submitted,

C. P. MOORE, Chairman.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. C. P. Moore, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, that the report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address be adopted.

It was moved in amendment by R.W. Bro. H. L. Fowler, seconded by V.W. Bro. J. A. Lackey, that the Grand Master's ruling with respect to Section 129 of the Constitution be upheld.

On the amendment being put it was declared lost.

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

Report of Committee on Grievances and Appeals

R.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes presented the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals on behalf of the Chairman, R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. F. C. Hayes and S. J. A. Branion, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals submits the following report:

Re: Aurora Lodge No. 45 vs Brother R.D.L.

At the 36th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in Regina on June 17, 1942, your Committee recommended that Brother R. D. L. be expelled and the report was adopted by Grand Lodge.

On March 10, 1943, in compliance with Section 60 of the Constitution respecting trials for Masonic offences, the Grand Secretary gave notice to the said R. D. L. requiring him to appear at this Communication of Grand Lodge to show cause why he should not be expelled from the rights and privileges of Freemasonry.

The said R. D. L. did not appear before this Committee or before the Board of General Purposes or before this Grand Lodge.

Your Commiteee now recommends that the said Brother R. D. L. be expelled.

Fraternally submitted,

S. J. A. BRANION, Chairman.

Expulsion

The M.W. the Grand Master declared Brother Roy David Loucks expelled from all the rights, privileges and benefits of Freemasonry.

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence on behalf of the Chairman, M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin. On motion of R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate and M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill, the report was received and together with the reviews of the Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions ordered printed in the Proceedings.

Report of Committee on Finance

M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey presented the report of the Committee on Finance on behalf of the Chairman, R.W. Bro. F. C. Wilson, which, on motion of M.W. Bros J. W. Estey and M. Musk, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

We submit our report for the Financial Year ended March 31, 1943, with the estimates for the year 1943-44.

The Auditor reports that the records of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary are in order and your Committee, after examination of these reports, recommend the same for adoption of Grand Lodge.

The work of the Grand Lodge Office has been greatly increased partly due to the War Services activities of the Committee on Freemasonry and Youth, partly due to increased activity on the part of Constituent Lodges, as detailed in the Grand Secretary's report, and to the new monthly publication "The Tracing Board." This has necessitated the employment of additional stenographic assistance on a part-time basis, which we have considered it necessary to continue and have so provided in our estimates.

The lithographing of Master Masons' Certificates appears in the estimates this year for the first time in several years and a sufficient supply is now on hand whereby it will not be necessary to repeat this expenditure for some years to come.

The estimated receipts and expenditures for the year 1943-44 are as follows:

RECEIPTS

	1942 Estimated	1942 Actual	1943 Estimated
Membership Fees	$ 6,800.00	$6,618.60	$6,800.00
Initiation Fees	1,400.00	1,520.00	1,600.00
Affiliation Fees	125.00	113.00	125.00
Commuted Life Membership Fees	525.00	351.60	400.00
Past Master and Other Certificates	200.00	110.00	150.00
Special Dispensations	225.00	219.00	225.00
Sale of Supplies	550.00	478.95	550.00
Interest on Bonds	844.64	844.64	844.64
Benevolent Fund Grant	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,200.00
Educational Fund Grant for Freemasonry and Youth		500.00	
On Account of Dues in Arrears		22.20	
	$11,669.64	$11,777.99	$12,894.64

EXPENDITURES

		1942 Estimated	1942 Actual	1943 Estimated
Salaries and Honoraria:				
Grand Secretary		$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00
Grand Treasurer		200.00	200.00	200.00
Grand Tyler		15.00	15.00	15.00
Stenographer		1,020.00	1,045.00	1,080.00
Office Assistance		100.00	90.00	500.00
Committee on Foreign Correspondence		200.00	200.00	200.00
Stenographer, Grand Lodge		10.00	10.00	10.00
Auditor		250.00	250.00	250.00
		$4,795.00	$4,810.00	$5,255.00
Honorary Grand Secretary, Retiring Allowance		$ 1,200.00	$ 1,200.00	$ 1,200.00
Travelling:				
D.D.G.M's.		900.00	851.50	900.00
Grand Master		450.00	380.59	450.00
Grand Secretary		450.00	434.10	450.00
Board of General Purposes		400.00	464.80	450.00
General Travelling Expense		100.00	16.52	50.00
Western Conference of Grand Lodges.			221.76	200.00
		$2,300.00	$2,369.27	$2,500.00
Miscellaneous:				
Office Rent.		$1,080.00	$1,080.00	$1,080.00
Unemployment Insurance		12.00	14.04	15.00
Printing Proceedings		475.00	532.86	500.00
Sundry Stationery and Supplies		400.00	335.69	400.00
Safety Deposit Box Rent		5.00	5.00	5.00
Postage and Excise		550.00	568.29	600.00
General Expense		600.00	717.55	650.00
Relief.		200.00		200.00
Post Office Box		8.00		8.00
Lithographing M.M. Certificates.				425.00
Freemasonry and Youth:				
Stationery and Printing	$ 218.34			
Postage	107.57			
	$ 325.91		325.91	
		$3,330.00	$3,579.34	$3,883.00
Total Expenditures:		$4,795.00	$4,810.00	$5,255.00
		1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
		2,300.00	2,369.27	2,500.00
		3,330.00	3,579.34	3,883.00
		$11,625.00	$11,958.61	$12,838.00
Cash on hand and in bank at beginning of year			$ 2,330.47	
Cash on hand and in bank at end of year			$ 2,149.85	
Cash decrease			$ 180.62	
Estimated receipts				$12,894.64
Estimated expenditures				$12,838.00
Estimated Surplus on year's operations				$ 56.64

Fraternally submitted,

F. C. WILSON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Necrology

M.W. Bro. C. P. Seeley presented the report of the Committee on Necrology, which, on motion of M.W. Bro. C. P. Seeley and R.W. Bro. J. R. Young, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Twelve months are but as a flash on the dial of time. During the brief instant since last we met 186 of our Brethren passed into the eternal shadow. We consecrate this hour to their memory. We mourn the passing from our ranks of so great a number in so brief a time.

It was not given to all of us to know all of our departed Brethren personally. Those who knew them best, who lived and toiled and shared life with them, speak eloquently of their contribution to Saskatchewan Masonry. They were good men and we rejoice in the knowledge that the good that good men do lives after them. They were men of the stainless life and nothing weighs so much for the well being of mankind as the everlasting ministry of such lives.

The majority were men unknown to fame, as the world knows fame; men who lived and practised the simple virtues with true Masonic humility: they were neighbors who earned the respect of neighbors: they loved their homes.

"For them no more the blazing hearth shall burn
Or busy housewife ply her evening care,
No children run to lisp their sire's return
Or climb his knees the envied kiss to share.
Haply some hoary-headed swain may say—
Oft have we seen them at the peep of dawn
Brushing with hasty steps the dews away
To meet the sun upon the upland lawn."

Brethren of Grand Lodge, this is their farewell to us. We too must tread at the peep of dawn, we too must meet the sun upon the upland lawn. To genuine Masons the morning star is ever rising, the morning light ever breaking, each day is a new day to live, a new day to labour, a new day to love. In gratitude and in firm faith we leave our beloved and honoured dead to peace and to future glory.

R.W. Bro. Enoch Mitchell died April 4, 1943. He was initiated, passed, and raised in Sintaluta Lodge No. 80 on the Grand Register of Manitoba in 1902. R.W. Bro. Mitchell served his Lodge as W.M. in 1908, and served his District as D.D.G.M. in 1917-18. For many years our Brother was Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of South Australia an honour of which he was indeed proud. Bro. Mitchell has been described as one of the "old school" of Masons, loyal, faithful, and very jealous of Masonry's good name in his country.

R.W. Bro. Sydney George Peters died November 4, 1942. Initiated, passed, and raised in Ionic Lodge No. 31, in the early months of 1912, he served his mother Lodge faithfully and well during the intervening years. As W.M. of Ionic Lodge in 1917, and as D.D.G.M. of District No. 7 in 1925-26 he has left a lasting impression for good. His faithfulness to duty was marked by regular and punctual attendance; he "pleaded thereto no excuse."

R.W. Bro. Wm. Henry Jackett died January 26, 1943. Having been initiated, passed, and raised in Cypress Lodge No. 70, he became a charter member of Progressive Lodge No. 141, in 1918. On April 13th, 1921,

R.W. Bro. Jackett affiliated with King Solomon No. 58, which Lodge he served as W.M. in 1925. In 1934-35 he served District No. 10 as D.D.G.M. He was faithful and tireless in his efforts to advance the interests of Freemasonry. Your Committee is informed that R.W. Bro. Jackett was ever and always prepared to take any part of "the work," however major or however minor that part might be. He lived Masonry in the Lodge room and outside of it.

When Evergreen Lodge was formed in 1912, R.W. Bro. John Alfred Deyell became a charter member, serving as W.M. in 1912-13. He was D.D.G.M. of District No. 5 in 1919-20. In the eyes of his Brethren, R.W. Bro. Deyell was worthy of honour and recognition. Hence it was that in 1926, Evergreen Lodge conferred on him Honourary Commuted Life Membership. Evergreen Lodge has had its trials. Bro. Deyell is numbered among the faithful who have brought Evergreen Lodge once more out on to the highroad that leads to the Light.

V.W. Bro. George Mason McKay, initiated, passed and raised in Abernethy Lodge in 1918. He was the choice of the Brethren of District No. 4 for D.D.G.M. in 1940. A serious operation from which he never fully recovered prevented Bro. McKay from carrying on this work, a disappointment equally hard to bear to the Brethren of District No. 4 and to himself. Bro. George McKay, a tower of strength to the entire Masonic Community in which he lived and served, died January 3rd, 1943.

V.W. Bro. Harry Harper Wells died March 26th, 1942. Coming from Ontario, he became a charter member of Progressive Lodge No. 141 at its formation in 1918, and was made an Honourary Commuted Life Member of his Lodge in April, 1925. V.W. Bro. Wells served as Grand Steward in 1920-21.

Freemasonry in Western Canada lost a great soul with the passing of M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, beloved Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Alberta for so many years. M.W. Bro. Kemmis brought to that high office kindness, efficiency and a rare readiness to serve. With our Alberta Brethren we mourn the passing of so great a man.

With deepest sympathy we record the death of the beloved wife of M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly. On an early May morning her soul winged its peaceful flight to that fairer land on high. At the time of her death Mrs. Reilly was Grand Secretary for Saskatchewan of the Order of the Eastern Star a position she graced for 22 years. For thirty-three years she gave actively of her time and talent to the citizen life of this Province. To our highly esteemed M.W. Bro. Reilly our sympathies and our prayers are herewith extended.

In accordance with what has now become an annual custom, Decoration Day was held on Sunday, May 16th, at Royal Oak Burial Park near Victoria. Flowers were placed on the graves of:

M.W. Bro. Harold Jagger of Moose Jaw; R.W. Bro. J. Shaw, Regina; R.W. Bro. R.W. Procter, Fort Qu'Appelle; W. Bro. W. T. Mollard, Regina; Bro. F. W. Bowles, Rosetown; Bro. J. P. Dill, Wolseley; Bro. E. R. Jenkins, Regina; Bro. F. G. Smith, Melfort; Bro. W. H. Smith, Elrose.

The following Saskatchewan Brethren were in attendance:

Wm. Niblock, Wascana No. 2, Regina; J. H. Laird, Moose Jaw No. 3, Moose Jaw; J. A. Merkley, Moose Jaw No. 3, Moose Jaw; T. Welch, Indian Head No. 5, Indian Head; Rev. J. K. Irwin, Assiniboia No. 49, Regina; Rex Smart, Assiniboia No. 49, Regina; Rev. F. Pike, Victoria No. 82, Alsask; W. H. Appleton, Imperial No. 60, Saskatoon; N. F. Leach, Unity No. 73, Unity; A. Mollinson, Tisdale No. 76, Tisdale; G. H. Lyne,

Prince Albert No. 63, Prince Albert; G. McCauley, St. George No. 136, Moose Jaw; W. H. Davies, Memorial No. 172, Moose Jaw; C. A. Hislop, Memorial No. 172, Moose Jaw; E. O. Hancocks, Loyalty No. 185, Ruddell.

R.W. Bro. E. W. Hetherington, D.D.G.M. of Victoria District No. 1, was present on behalf of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. We are grateful to V.W. Bro. G. L. Hopkins for his comforting report.

We attach hereto a complete roll of our Fraternal Dead and by this reference to it, we include all in this report and its commendatory expressions. We recommend that suitable memorial pages be inserted in the Proceedings in commemoration of Our Royal Brother, The Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England; those Brethren of Sister Jurisdictions who died during the year; those Brethren of our own Jurisdiction whose memory we revere and whose loss we deplore.

The Angels of Sunlight have called these Brethren from our midst.

The deep current of their lives still runs quiet and strong through Saskatchewan Masonry. This day their souls are, we believe, partaking of the joys of everlasting morn. As we stand on the shore of life's river we visualize their white sails becoming whiter still in the morning sun. Their glad refrain comes back to us—

". . . . though we have left you whom we love
To go along the Silent Way, grieve not,
Nor speak of us with tears, but laugh and talk
Of us as if we were beside you, for
We shall be oftentimes.
When you hear a song we used to sing,
Or see a bird we loved—let not the thought
Of us be sad. You were so good to us,
'Twas heaven on earth with you."

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. SEELEY, Chairman.

At the conclusion of the report "The Requiem" was feelingly rendered by Brother E. J. Edwards.

Report of Committee on Grand Lodge Library

M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate presented the report of the Committee on Grand Lodge Library, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. W. B. Tate and F. B. Reilly, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

We are pleased to report that additions are being made to our Library from day to day of the publications of the Grand Lodges with which we are in communication.

These contain a wealth of information and are carefully arranged so as to be readily available to those interested. We recommend the use of the Library to those who are interested in the growth and development of Masonry throughout the world.

Fraternally submitted,

W. B. TATE, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Printing and Supplies

V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird presented the report of the Committee on Printing and Supplies, which, on motion of V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird and M.W. Bro. F. B. Reilly, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

All necessary printing and supplies required for the work in the office of Grand Lodge have been procured.

Tenders for the printing of the Proceedings were obtained from several firms, the work being awarded to the lowest tenderer at the same figure as last year.

It was found necessary to obtain a supply of Grand Lodge Certificates and an order for same was placed. This expenditure will appear in the current year.

Your Committee is pleased to report that they have kept within the amount of the budget for the year.

Fraternally submitted

E. C. BIRD, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Masonic History

R.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes presented the report of the Committee on Masonic History on behalf of the Chairman, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. F. C. Hayes and G. H. Hummel, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The initial duty of this committee has been to prepare, for inclusion in the annual Proceedings, a biography of the newly-installed Grand Master and this duty was duly performed.

Water gradually wears away the stone. At about the same rate your committee is accomplishing its objective of obtaining adequate Lodge histories for our archives. But persistence is a Virtue. We shall continue to be virtuous by appealing and importuning successive Worshipful Masters until out of a sense of duty, pride or desperation they give attention to this important matter. We do not despair, for during the year some splendid results have been achieved and numerous Lodges have committees actively at work.

This year we extended the invitation to all Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction and we confidently expect a gratifying response before the calendar year ends. Worshipful Masters who ignore or neglect this work are remiss in their duty to their Lodges. "History is indeed the witness of the times, the light of truth." When the epic story of Masonic pioneering in Saskatchewan comes to be written, the record of every Lodge should be found therein. Only can your Lodge be given its rightful place if its history is filed in our Archives now.

Our response from Past Grand Masters has been equally disappointing. We are engaged in preparing an Historical Album for the proper and permanent preservation of the photographs and biographies of Past Grand Masters. We have the former, but it would appear that the latter will

be woefully incomplete. Some of these eminent Brethren seem to think that "the less said the better." Again we solicit the co-operation of those in default.

During the year the following items of historical interest have been added to the Grand Lodge Museum:

From M.W. Bro. Robert Young:

1. Copy of original minutes of meeting held at Prince Albert on May 25th, 1906, when decision was made to form Grand Lodge.
2. Copy of original register of attendance thereat.

From V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink:

1. Set of original By-laws of Battle Lodge No. 19.

From Bro. Wilmot G. Haultain:

1. One Antique Past Master's Jewel.

We commend this activity to Brethren and Lodges. It affords a safe and suitable repository for Masonic souvenirs and records. They may be given outright or on loan.

In sending out questionnaires and conducting the necessary correspondence the Grand Secretary's office has given faithful service for which we tender hearty thanks.

With every year that passes our objective becomes increasingly difficult of attainment. Wherefore we close this report with an urgent appeal for the enthusiastic aid, interest and action of all concerned.

Fraternally submitted,

DOUGLAS FRASER, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Masonic Education

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Education on behalf of the Chairman, W. Bro. H. C. M. Brown, which, on motion of R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate and W. Bro. H. R. Gordon, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Committee on Masonic Education begs to report that early in the Masonic year a programme of study outlines was prepared and arrangements made for the preparation of the necessary papers. These included the following:

October—"The Inside Guard"—W. Bro. J. E. Campbell.
November—"The Cause We Serve"—The M.W. the Grand Master.
December—"Freemasonry and Youth"—Committee on Freemasonry and Youth.
January—"Why Has Masonry Survived"—W. Bro. M. R. Ballard.
February—"Charity"—W. Bro. H. C. M. Brown.
March—"A History of Masonry in Saskatchewan"—R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate.
April—"The Benevolent Fund"—M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams.
May—"The Future of Masonry"—R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion.
June—"The Five Points of Fellowship"—Bro. Rev. G. H. Glover.

Prior to the publication of "The Tracing Board" copies of the several papers were mimeographed and sent to the various constituent Lodges. While we have no figures to definitely confirm our belief, your Committee is of the opinion that many Lodges made use of these outlines. Since the publication of "The Tracing Board," these outlines have been printed

therein and in consequences have no doubt reached a wider circle of interested Masons. If this practice is to be continued, your Committee feels that the outline should be prepared more as a guide for individual thinking, rather than as a basis for an address, which latter reaches only the ears of the comparatively few who attend Lodge meetings where these papers or addresses are expanded. We would, however, urge that the practice of expanding these outlines be continued, as with the information already in the hands of the members, a more interesting and intelligent discussion should follow.

Your Committee would like to express its appreciation of the responsibility you have seen fit to place in its hands—the direction of this very important part of the education of the Craft,—and also to express the hope the task has been satisfactorily performed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. M. BROWN, Chairman.

Report of Special Committee—Freemasonry and Youth

W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles presented the report of the Special Committee on Freemasonry and Youth on behalf of the Chairman, W. Bro. N. L. Neff, which, on motion of W. Bro. E. H. M. Knowles and R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The splendid and unselfish service being rendered by the youth of our land, who are serving in "His Majesty's Forces" is recognized by the citizens of Canada. To these young men and their "brothers-in-arms" from many countries the United Nations owe a debt which they are totally unable to discharge.

Our Grand Master being deeply conscious of this great debt was of the opinion that Masonry should make some definite contribution to Masons, their sons and daughters, who are serving their country. With this in view, at the last communication of Grand Lodge a committee "Freemasonry and Youth" was appointed, consisting of the following members:

W. Bro. N. L. Neff, Chairman, Regina; M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, R.W. Bro. W. H. Moor, Saskatoon; R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, W. Bros. J. E. Campbell, E. H. M. Knowles, Regina; to whom were later added: M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams, Regina; R.W. Bros. S. J. A. Branion, Prince Albert; F. C. Hayes, Swift Current; and R.W. Bro. J. W. Hedley, Associate Member.

This committee's duty was two-fold:

First; To plan, give guidance to, and correlate the efforts of the local Lodges with respect to the immediate needs of our youth.

Second; To give leadership to local Lodges in the study of post-war problems. One of the outstanding of these being that of "rehabilitation."

The response in connection with the former has been particularly gratifying. Monthly bulletins, outlining the proposed program, were prepared by the central committee and forwarded to the local Lodges. Over 80% of these Lodges have reported the organization of committees and the activities in which they are engaged. In many instances the Lodges

are not only writing letters regularly, forwarding comforts etc. but are showing splendid initiative by entering upon other praiseworthy enterprises.

The plans in connection with rehabilitation are now being formulated. In the April issue of "The Tracing Board" the suggestion was offered that the Lodges sponsor a number of Masonic Scholarships—such scholarships to be supplemental to any assistance which the Government plans to give. Each Scholarship would be for $600.00, the money to be provided by voluntary subscriptions of the Members. While there is no limit to the number of scholarships which may be provided, our first objective is for a monthly contribution of 10c. from each Mason in Saskatchewan.

This practical way of helping these young people who have given up so much for us, should have a widespread appeal to all our brethren. The committee feel that too much cannot be done to help them re-establish themselves after the war. A really worthwhile contribution can be made if Masons in general support this worthy project. We urge you to do so.

The committee wish to take this opportunity of thanking The Benevolent Fund Trustees (as Administrators of Educational Fund) for providing them with funds for carrying on **this splendid work.** Without this contribution the scheme could not have been promoted.

As chairman of the committee I would like to express my deep appreciation for the able and generous support given me by the M.W. the Grand Master and the other members who have been associated with me on this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

N. L. NEFF, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Tracing Board

Bro. George E. Robins (Editor) presented the report of the Committee on "The Tracing Board," which, on motion of Bro. G. E. Robins and R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

The Editorial Committee of "The Tracing Board" begs to submit its first report. When the suggestion of a Masonic publication was discussed at the District Meetings it was approved as a worthwhile venture which might help to unify, vitalize and advance Freemasonry in Saskatchewan.

Such an undertaking had to face at least three factors, the type of programme to adopt, the problems to be faced and the prospects for success.

1. The Programme. Certain regular features were to be included. These were the Grand Master's message, the Grand Secretary's column, material from the Committee on Masonic Education, war services activities and an editorial. In addition there would be other items of general Masonic interest.

2. The Problems. The size of the publication, four pages with a total of about 3,000 words, limits the length and number of the items and articles possible. In view of the extensiveness of the field of Masonic research such restrictions make the selection of material difficult. We must also recognise the varied tastes of the brethren, their divergent

opinions as to what they deem suitable and their criticisms. Other obstacles have to be met and overcome.

3. The Prospects. We may not immediately realise our desire to make the Bulletin accessible, suitable and interesting to every member, but we have been encouraged by the response and support given. The future of the publication depends on the continued co-operation of the different Lodges and members. A good circulation is important. However, our purpose will not be achieved unless "The Tracing Board" plays a useful part in stimulating greater interest in the Order, acts as an interpreter of Masonic truth and helps to co-ordinate the different activities.

We are conscious of our shortcomings. As you pass judgment on the enterprise we are confident you will bear in mind the newness of the project, the diversity of viewpoints found among the brethren and the difficulty of trying to please all the members all the time.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. ROBINS, Editor.

Report of Special Committee—D.D.G.M's.

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams presented the report of the Special Committee on District Deputy Grand Masters on behalf of the Chairman, M.W. Bro. J. W. Estey, which, on motion of M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams and J. W. Estey, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Committee appointed at the Communication of Grand Lodge in 1941, to make certain recommendations with respect to the duties, responsibilities and instructions of D.D.G.M's, made a report to the Communication of Grand Lodge in 1942. In receiving and adopting that report, Grand Lodge directed that the same should be made the subject of discussion at each of the District Meetings in 1942.

Your Committee is advised that the report was discussed at these meetings and also in certain of the constituent Lodges. As a consequence the resolution proposed by M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams has been presented for your consideration. It raises so many of the questions that have been under consideration by your Committee that we do not feel it advisable to submit a further report at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

J. W. ESTEY, Chairman.

Oldest Mason

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master referred to a personal message received from Bro. Duncan McFarlane of Paragon Lodge No. 118, Kelfield, a veteran of 93 years of age and 71 years' standing as a Mason, who, through slight indisposition, regretfully was prevented at the last moment from attending this Communication. A message of fraternal affection of the Brethren assembled was directed to be sent to our Brother

Grand Lodge was called from Labour at 4.40 p.m.

During recess the Brethren of the four Saskatoon City Lodges and Twin City Lodge, Sutherland, tendered a banquet, at the conclusion of which the Brethren enjoyed a programme of musical numbers by artists of international reputation. The Brethren re-assembled and prior to the opening of the evening session, Lodge Progress Choir rendered six numbers, concluding with the "Hallelujah Chorus."

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION

Brother Sgt. J. Robinson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack at the Altar, and the Brethren joined in singing the National Anthem.

Grand Lodge resumed Labour at 9.00 p.m.; M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Address

M.W. Brother Karl J. Mohr, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, was then called on and addressed Grand Lodge as follows:

"It is a great pleasure to join with the brethren of Saskatchewan in their Grand Lodge Session. My presence is meant in large part as a personal tribute to your Grand Master, who delighted us with his visit to our Centennial in 1940. I have the honour to extend you the best wishes and fraternal regards of more than one hundred and eighty-eight thousand Master Masons of the State of Illinois. We feel very close in spirit, Masonically and politically, to our Canadian brethren, and wish for them only continued success and prosperity.

"We in Illinois firmly believe that Freemasonry at this time has the greatest opportunity for service that it has had since the cornerstone of our republic was laid by such brilliant, liberty-loving patriots as Washington, Franklin, Hamilton, Marshall, Jackson, and, in my own state, our first Grand Orator, the incomparable Stephen A. Douglas. I, personally, delight in turning back the pages of American history to gather strength and inspiration from the lives and actions of these great men, whose names I have just mentioned, and a myriad of others, Americans and Masons all. I am now as equally convinced that the Masons of the world are today writing as glorious and resplendent a page of history as the world has ever known. On every fighting front, in every phase of our social, political, economical, and industrial life, a great proportion of the English speaking leaders today come from our Institution, are men who have knelt before our altar to receive the profound philosophy of Freemasonry, and, as I shall always claim, thereby to gain some measure of that supreme moral courage necessary to wage the battles of our liberty loving peoples. Among these rugged individuals we may proudly place the two dominant personalities in the English speaking world,—the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Great Britain.

"And having mentioned that superb executive of the British Empire, let me say to you, very earnestly and very solemnly, that the imagination of my people of the United States has not been so charged with emotion for generations as when Winston Churchill stood in our legislative halls, and with rugged chin thrust forward as if Herr Hitler were in his immediate presence, assured my people, and the world at large, that we would remain fighting allies, inseparable, "as long as there is blood in our veins and breath left in our bodies." We need no other assurance

than this pledge of honour and allegiance. When the American armies face the setting sun and start that long trek to destroy our enemy of the "Rising Sun" not one glance will be thrown over our shoulders to see if our Canadian, Australian and British allies are aligned with us; we shall know without looking that they are marching with us, step for step, shoulder to shoulder, bent on the destruction and annihilation of the so called war lords and that class of people who do not believe, as we do, that governments are created to serve peoples and not peoples to serve governments.

"In Illinois the Grand Master is thrilled anew from day to day at the great part that Freemasonry can do, and is doing, to build morale, and help win this war. Our Grand Lodge has established, under its own management and at its own expense, Masonic Service Centers in connection with the large military camps located in our state. These Centers, each under the supervision of a trained and experienced field worker, proffer to the man in training first, fun, recreation and relaxation, and then, behind the scenes, eloquently unobserved, a myriad of personal services, tending to give him that courage and determination to go forward against all odds, to fight, and to conquer, even when all resources have vanished except the will to win, even as Washington knelt in the snow at Valley Forge and received that divine courage that led to our eternal freedom. The stories of personal service rendered, men reclaimed, soldiers reconditoned, and their women with hearts made free and glad, constitute a thrilling chapter in our everyday life. Millions of American men, the very flower of manhood, from our respective countries, are now on the deadly, implacable march that can only end in Berlin and Tokyo. We hear the earnest and beautiful cadence of their steps, not with our ears, but with our hearts, because they constitute our own flesh and blood. They have caught the spirit that dominated Jefferson when he took a common piece of parchment and made it an immortal document, dedicated to free people through the ages, as he inscribed on its surface, as the everlasting dream and ideal of free men and free women, the right to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." When the little painter from Vienna chose to twist the tail of the English bulldog, in my opinion, he forgot a fundamental fact,—that that same bulldog never relinquishes his hold until his adversary lies in the grip of death, and when the war lord of Japan set out to pluck the tail feathers from the American eagle, he forgot also one fundamental fact,—that that same American eagle for centuries uncounted has been monarch of the air, and one hundred thirty million men and women, even as you and I, are determined that all of their resources, and their lives, if necessary, shall cause it to remain monarch of the air.

"Illinois sent its most distinguished son to our Nation's Capital at a time when the disruption of our Union seemed imminent. His life was the penalty exacted, at the point of an assassin's gun. In 1863 he stood on one of the great battlefields of all time, one that had literally run red with the blood of the finest men of the time; he arose to pronounce, as he thought, a short benediction, following an eloquent speaker of his generation. Instead he spoke to a free posterity. With melancholy eyes fixed on the horizon of the ages, and, as I shall always firmly believe, with the hand of God on his shoulder, he spoke, in substance, these enduring words, which I share with you for our future guidance, determination, courage, inspiration and consolation:

"It is rather for us, the living, to be here dedicated to the unfinished work which they who died here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us,—that from these honoured dead,—" (and, my brethren, Pearl Harbor,

Dunkirk, Corregidor, Greece, Bataan, Africa, and a score of others, have already produced these honoured dead) "we may take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the full measure of devotion; that we here firmly resolve that these heroic dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation under God shall give a new birth to freedom; and that Government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall never perish from this earth."

"Brethren of Saskatchewan, for your very warm and cordial reception, and your patient attention, I am deeply grateful. Thank you, indeed."

Honourary Membership Conferred

On motion of M.W. Bros. N. R. Craig and J. W. Estey, it was unanimously resolved that M.W. Bro. Karl J. Mohr, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois; M.W. Bro. Charles Davidson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana; M.W. Bro. Russell J. Bradley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and R.W. Bro. Samuel Burland, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, be made Honourary Members of this Grand Lodge.

Motions—Pursuant to Notice

The hour having arrived for the consideration of Notices of Motion, it was moved by M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams:

"1. That Section 28 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge be repealed and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

"28. The Constitution of Grand Lodge may be amended or altered at any Annual Communication thereof by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided:

(a) That, subject to the provisions of Section (b) hereof, no amendment shall be entertained without notice in writing stating the amendment proposed and that the same has been approved by resolution of the Lodge of which the mover is a member.

(b) That there be a notice in writing proposing an amendment based upon and restricted to a report of a Committee of Grand Lodge which report has been presented to and adopted by Grand Lodge at a preceding Annual Communication, and which said proposed amendment shall have been approved by the said Committee of Grand Lodge.

And provided further that the said notice has been filed with the Grand Secretary four months previous to the Annual Communication and a copy of such proposed amendment or alteration sent by the Grand Secretary to each Lodge at least three months previous to said Communication.

Any amendment to the Constitution which has been rejected by Grand Lodge is not to be reconsidered at any time within three years after such rejection except by a resolution passed by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, the vote thereon to be taken without debate."

On the motion being put it was declared carried.

Thanks for Courtesies

M.W. Brother George F. Ellis, Honourary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, requested the privilege of presenting a motion on behalf of our distinguished visitors and, on permission being accorded, moved, in happy vein, their thanks for courtesies extended. M.W. Bro. Charles Davidson, on seconding the motion gave "a demonstration of American politics" by also putting the motion to his eminent Brethren, declaring it carried unanimously and formally tendering same to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge was called from Labour at 10.25 p.m. until 9.00 a.m., Thursday, June 17th.

SECOND DAY——MORNING SESSION

Brother Sgt. J. Robinson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presented the Union Jack at the Altar. The Brethren joined in singing the National Anthem.

Grand Lodge resumed Labour at 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, June 17th; M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Nominations

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, Section 36, the Grand Secretary declared that the following written nominations, in each case signed by a member of Grand Lodge, had been delivered to him by 10 p.m. Wednesday, June 16th, as provided in said Section 36.

Grand Senior Warden: F. C. Hayes (26).

Grand Junior Warden: A. M. Bell (74), E. C. Bird (174), W. L. Clink (19), H. T. Kelly (143), J. A. Lackey (25), H. Mackay (62), H. H. McMahon (110), A. Milne (92), M. S. Mooney (152), F. E. Smith-Jones (16), S. R. Stephens (71), J. R. Young (144).

Grand Secretary: Robt. A. Tate (11).

Grand Treasurer: A. C. Garner (154).

Grand Registrar: T. H. Pendlebury (3).

Board of General Purposes: A. M. Bell (74), E. C. Bird (174), C. J. Broderick (3), Wm. Connell (183), T. Guest (144), E. A. Hudson (143), H. Mackay (62), A. Milne (92), W. H. Moor (16), A. S. Pipes (3), J. N. Smith (1), J. R. Young (144).

Nominations—Board of Benevolence

The Grand Secretary announced that the following Brethren had been nominated for the Board of Benevolence: W. M. Martin (2), N. B. Williams (77).

Report of Credential Committee

R.W. Bro. T. H. Pendlebury presented the report of the Credential Committee, which, on motion of R.W. Bros. T. H. Pendlebury and A. M. Bell, was received and adopted as follows:

To the M.W. the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your Credential Committee have pleasure in submitting the following report at this the 37th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

There are 198 Lodges on the Register, of which number 5 have the Worshipful Master and both Wardens in attendance. There are 71 Lodges not represented.

There are 58 Worshipful Masters, 60 Wardens and 241 Past Masters in attendance, a total of 359 representatives, carrying a vote of 620.

It is gratifying to note that there is a decided increase in attendance due to the presence of more Masters and Wardens, also that there is a reduction in the number of Lodges not represented.

Fraternally submitted,

T. H. PENDLEBURY, Chairman.

Address

M.W. Bro. Charles Davidson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana, was then called on. Brother Davidson delivered a forceful, impressive address, extracts from which are quoted herewith:

"I am delighted again to be given the opportunity to be present at your Grand Lodge and to be the bearer of cordial fraternal greetings and felicitations from the Grand Lodge of Montana and the eighteen thousand of your Brethren to the South. It has been a great personal pleasure for me to again be the recipient of the famous Canadian hospitality and to sit under the gavel of authority of your Most Worshipful Grand Master. I have a very great respect for his ability and feel that he is one of my close personal Canadian friends. He was gracious enough, with your Grand Secretary, to visit the last Communication of our Grand Lodge and I am happy to be able to repay that visit. We of course always expect to have your Grand Secretary, R.W. Brother Tate, at our Communications. He has been for many years an Honourary Grand Secretary in our Jurisdiction. Bob is just as familiar a figure in Montana as many of our regular delegates.

"I am proud too to be here as I believe that not only should Masonry in Canada and the United States be brought closer together but that the mutual ties of friendship that have so long existed between our two Nations should be further tightened.

"Technically, I am a foreigner in your midst. You belong to one Nation, I to another. We represent different Nations but fortunately we speak the same language. It is true that we salute different Flags but those Flags represent the same ideals. It is true that there is an imaginary boundary line between us, but we as Masons are bound together by the common Altar of Masonry and our peoples are united in a great crusade to more firmly re-establish the principles of decency and of freedom.

"Since it was my privilege to appear before you three years ago, many great and dramatic changes have taken place. On my last visit, Belgium had just given up, France had capitulated, Dunkerque was in progress and the invasion of Britain looked inevitable. I appeared before you as a neutral to express the sympathy of your Montana Brethren, but with a neutrality content only with the victory for the right. Those were dark days but our people, knowing full well the determination and the courage of the British Commonwealth of Nations, were confident. The

miracle of Dunkerque excited the admiration of the entire world and the resoluteness of your people in the Battle of Britain will be written gloriously in the pages of history.

"And what a change today. I can now proudly stand before you not as a neutral but as an ally and assure you of the determination of the people of the United States to carry on with you until the forces of evil have been completely and thoroughly defeated."

Motions—Pursuant to Notice

The following Notice of Motion, having been given in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, was now before Grand Lodge for consideration:

"2. That section 82 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge be amended by deleting the words "of the Board of General Purposes incurred within the territorial jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and" where they appear in lines 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the said section."

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams requested permission to withdraw the Notice of Motion by reason of the Grand Master having appointed a special committee to carry out a survey of the sources of revenue and expenditure of Grand Lodge and report to the next Annual Communication. Permission to withdraw was granted.

With reference to the following Notices of Motion:

"3. That section 11 be amended by deleting the words "the District Deputy Grand Masters (one for each Masonic District)" in lines 7 and 8.

4. That section 12 be amended by deleting the words "The Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Masters according to number of District" where they appear in lines 10 and 11 on page 23.

5. That section 13 be amended by deleting the words "District Deputy Grand Masters shall not be entitled to past rank unless specially recommended for the honour by the Committee on the Condition of Masonry and the recommendation adopted by Grand Lodge," where they appear in lines 3—8, inclusive.

6. That section 15 be amended by deleting the words "District Deputy Grand Master" where they appear in lines 5 and 6 thereof.

7. That section 39 be repealed.

8. That section 40 be repealed.

9. That section 41 be repealed.

10. That section 42 be amended by deleting the words "or District Deputy Grand Master" where they appear in the first and second lines of subsection (h) thereof.

11. That section 43 be amended by deleting the words "or District Deputy Grand Master" where they appear in lines 4 and 5 thereof.

12. That section 46 be repealed.

13. That section 87 be amended by deleting the words "to recommend for the rank of Right Worshipful Past District Deputy Grand Master such Brethren as in its opinion have faithfully discharged their duties as District Deputy Grand Master" where the said words appear in lines 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 thereof.

14. That section 91 be amended by deleting the words "to consider the District Deputy Grand Master's reports thereon" where they appear in lines 4 and 5 thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words "to consider the reports thereon of the Grand Master's representatives."

15. That section 96 be amended by deleting the words "and in conjunction with the Grand Master they shall hold a Lodge of Instruction for District Deputy Grand Masters at the close of each Annual Communication of Grand Lodge" where they appear in lines 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof "and in conjunction with the Grand Master they may hold a Lodge of Instruction for representatives of the Grand Master to constituent Lodges at the close of each Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and at such other times and places as may be selected by the Grand Master."

16. That section 102 be amended by inserting the word "Past" after the word "Wardens" where the same appears in line 10 thereof on page 53.

That the word "Past" be inserted after the word "Wardens" where it appears in line 4, page 55 thereof.

That the paragraph entitled "District Deputy Grand Master," page 56 and concluding with the words "of the district" where the same appears in lines 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 thereof be deleted.

That in the next succeeding paragraph all the words after the word "Master" where they appear in lines 23, 24 and 25 thereof be deleted and that in lieu thereof the following be inserted after the word "Master" in lines 23, 24 and 25 "The compasses and square placed within a circle on which is the name and number of the district."

17. That section 134 be amended by deleting the words "The District Deputy Grand Master within whose jurisdiction the Lodge is located" where the words appear in lines 3, 4 and 5 thereof.

18. That section 142 be amended by deleting the words "The District Deputy Grand Master within whose jurisdiction the Lodge is located" where the same appear in lines 3, 4 and 5 thereof.

19. That section 145 be amended by deleting the words "and the District Deputy Grand Master of his District" where they appear in lines 1 and 2 of sub-section (d) thereof.

That the word "and" be inserted after the word "Master" where it appears in line 5 of paragraph (g) thereof and that the words "and the District Deputy Grand Master of the District" where they appear in lines 5 and 6 be deleted.

20. That section 184 be amended by deleting the words "Through the District Deputy Grand Master of the District" where the same appear in lines 3 and 4 thereof.

That the words "before sending in the petition the District Deputy Grand Master shall satisfy himself" where they appear in lines 20, 21 and 22 thereof, be deleted, and the following inserted in lieu thereof, "upon receipt of the said petition the Grand Master shall instruct his representative appointed for that purpose to investigate and report to him."

21. That section 193 be amended by deleting the words "District Deputy Grand Master" where they appear in lines 10 and 11 of the 2nd paragraph and by deleting the word "other" where it appears before the word "such" in line 11 thereof.

22. That Approved Ruling No. 53 where it appears on pages 105 and 106 thereof be amended by striking out the words "or the D.D.G.M. on his official visit" where they appear in lines 3 and 4 thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "or the representative of the Grand Master upon his official visit."

23. That paragraph 46 under the heading "Respecting Trials for Masonic Offences" be amended by striking out the words "The District Deputy Grand Master or other" where the same appears in lines 2 and 3, and inserting before the word "competent" where it appears in line 3 thereof the letter "a."

24. That rule 52 under the heading "Respecting Trials for Masonic Offences" be amended by striking out the words "and to the District Deputy Grand Master of the District in which the Lodge is situated" where the same appear in lines 2, 3 and 4 thereof.

25. That paragraph 62 under the heading "Respecting Trials for Masonic Offences" be amended by striking out the words "the District Deputy Grand Master or in the event of his disability" where the same appear in lines 4, 5 and 6 thereof.

26. That rule 63 under heading "Respecting Trials for Masonic Offences" be amended by striking out the words "with the District Deputy Grand Master as chairman unless there is a good reason why he should not act" where they appear in lines 10, 11, 12 and 13 thereof and inserting in lieu thereof "one of whom the Grand Master shall name as Chairman."

27. Rule 66 under the heading "Respecting Trials for Masonic Offences" be amended by striking out the words "and the District Deputy Grand Master" where the same appear in lines 8 and 9 thereof.

M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams presented the following explanation, and on motion of M.W. Bros. N. B. Williams and J. W. Estey, discussion of Notices of Motion 3 to 27 inclusive, was adjourned until the 1944 Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

"No doubt these suggested amendments as listed on the notices in your hands, look like a formidable array of proposals. But even a casual study of them will reveal that they are for two main purposes:

(1) To abolish the office of D.D.G.M.

(2) To dissolve the present Masonic Districts.

"Admittedly they may appear to be very drastic and for that reason I can readily understand that your first reaction to them may have been unfavourable because of their far reaching effects; secondly, because of an impression that they are intended to be destructive rather than constructive; and thirdly that if put into effect they would be detrimental to the prosperity of Constituent Lodges and Grand Lodge alike.

"Let us take a little time to examine these proposals more carefully and as we do so I want to make it clear that they were prompted by one thought and one thought only!—the welfare of the Craft in Saskatchewan. I will endeavour to show that they are intended to be constructive rather than destructive; and that they are not so drastic as they might at first appear to be.

"Certain weaknesses in the present system of selecting and appointing D.D.G.M's. were brought to the attention of Grand Lodge during the terms of office of M.W. Bro. Underhill; M.W. Bro. Brooks and M.W. Bro. Seeley. These frailties have been no less apparent during the year now closing.

"The present system of selecting D.D.G.M's was supposed to have certain theoretical, if not actual, advantages over the old system. These might be enumerated as follows:

(1) Usually there has been a more representative gathering of officers of constituent Lodges at the District Meeting in each district than there used to be at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

(2) A better opportunity was thus provided for such officers to deliberate before recommending any brother for appointment to this very important office.

(3) Theoretically the prospective D.D.G.M. has had a full year in which to review the work of the immediate past D.D.G.M. and to prepare himself for the duties of his office.

(4) He has had opportunities to visit Lodges along with the D.D.G.M. during that year and to learn something from practical experience of what might be expected of him if and when he succeeded to the office.

(5) Before assuming office he could acquire some definite knowledge of the extent and nature of his district, the time likely to be required in the fulfillment of his duties, the weaknesses or faults that might require his attention and any unsatisfactory conditions that might prevail at some points.

(6) Generally he could estimate the nature and extent of the work to be undertaken if he were to make some valuable contribution to the welfare of the Craft in his district.

"But certain weaknesses and disadvantages have developed which, in my opinion, are becoming no less evident according to the annual reports of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, the addresses of succeeding Grand Masters, the discussions that arise from year to year in the Board of General Purposes and from incidental reports submitted by officers and members of constituent Lodges.

What are some of the weaknesses to which I have referred?

It would appear that prospective D.D.G.M's have taken little or no advantage of the year's opportunity for preparation to which I have referred.

"By reason of the "selection" made at each district meeting, some erroneous impressions appear to have developed. I will refer to a few of them as follows:

(a) That the D.D.G.M. is **"elected"** rather than "selected" at the district meeting.

(b) That the D.D.G.M. so selected is the District Deputy of his particular district rather than the personal representative of the Grand Master and accountable to **him** rather than to **his district** for his words and official acts.

(c) That the Grand Master's confirmation of the selections is more a "matter of form" than anything else. (Which in practice it has actually become).

(d) Too often the selection has been made out of consideration for the alleged claims of individual Lodges rather than on the record of service to the Craft and the qualifications and ability of the individual to be (as he certainly should be) **the personal representative** of the Grand Master.

(e) Too frequently the "selection" for the office of D.D.G.M. has been made to round out the Masonic career of a faithful brother by giving him an "Honour" rather than because he was a brother of

outstanding ability who had the time, the opportunity and the will, to make a definite contribution to the craft.

"If from what I have already said any brother in this Grand Body should conclude that the work of all D.D.G.M's in my opinion has been unsatisfactory, I want to correct such impression and do it at once. Many District Deputies have made valuable contributions. They have taken their duties quite seriously and have given of their best, often at great inconvenience to themselves, coupled with loss of time and personal expense. They have discharged their obligations in a most creditable manner. Nevertheless if some alternative system can be devised which will minimize the present weaknessess and disadvantages and provide equally good or even better opportunities for satisfactory supervision, it should receive the careful consideration of this Grand Lodge. For this purpose the proposed amendments are now being presented.

"The question now arises. "What is the alternative?"—

"At the present time there are 16 appointed officers of Grand Lodge who have no specific duties to perform (at least in practice) apart from those required of them at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. If these were carefully chosen, keeping in mind the obligations they would be required to assume, there is no good reason why such officers throughout the year could not act in the capacity of personal representatives of the Grand Master and undertake the duties now performed by the D.D.G.M's.

"If the officers so appointed as required by the Constitution were not sufficient in number to cover the whole Jurisdiction there is no good reason why other well-skilled brethren (Past D.D.G.M's or otherwise) might not be commissioned by the Grand Master to supplement the number of appointed officers in accordance with sub-section (O) of Section 42 of the Constitution.

"The lodges to be visited and supervised by such personal representatives of the G.M. could be allotted to each on the basis of their proximity to and accessibility from the place of residence of each such appointed or commissioned officer.

"The services of brethren of proven ability could be made available for more than one year by the simple process of re-appointment to the same or some other office in Grand Lodge.

"There is a probability that the expense involved might be decreased by the adoption of the system I am suggesting.

"If, and when, the rank of Past Grand Deacon or Past Grand Steward, for instance, were conferred upon any brother by reason of meritorious service it would really mean something and would be just as great a reward for the faithful performance of his duties as that of the rank of P.D.D.G.M.

"As each Grand Master in turn went about attending "District" or "Fellowship" Meetings and exercising general supervision over the Craft he could note outstanding ability on the part of individual brethren throughout the Province and give his successor in office the benefit of this information for his consideration in selecting brethren whom he might choose for the appointed offices or commission as his personal representatives.

"If brethren were carefully chosen in this manner and occupied the appointed offices in Grand Lodge for a year or more and gave evidence of their ability to assume even greater responsibilities, it would establish a basis for promotion in Grand Lodge and create a source from which to select nominees for the elective offices of Grand Lodge.

"If the present Masonic District were dissolved as herein suggested the question would naturally arise as to what plan might be adopted in arranging district meetings throughout the Province. This is not an insurmountable difficulty. Such meetings could be arranged from year to year without district boundaries being permanently established. If, for instance, the appointed or commissioned officer who was to act as the personal representative of the Grand Master were located, say, in Tisdale, he could be given supervision over six or eight or ten Lodges in that area reasonably adjacent to Tisdale and the district meeting for that area could be held at some point that would be most advantageous from every point of view, much as it is done now.

"At each of such meetings officers of constituent Lodges would have an opportunity to submit to the Grand Master, for the guidance of his successor, the names of brethren who, in their judgment, were qualified to fill the appointed offices in Grand Lodge or to be commissioned by the Grand Master to act as his personal representatives. The very nature of the work to be undertaken by them would be a guarantee that they would be as representative of the whole jurisdiction as they are at the present time through their selection at the District Meetings.

"It may be argued that the procedure suggested herein is not "democratic." The closing sentence of Sec. 40 of the Constitution reads as follows: **"Providing** the selection is confirmed by the incoming Grand Master, the D.D.G.M. selected shall be invested at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge." If the Grand Master were deprived of his powers and prerogatives, our organization could still be fraternal and benevolent but it would not be Masonic. (See Sections 42 and 43 of the Constitution)."

On motion of R.W. Bros. W. H. S. Glew and W. O. Fraser it was resolved that: "A copy of the explanation with references to Notices of Motion 3 to 27, inclusive, as prepared by M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams, be sent to each Lodge in the Jurisdiction."

Motions

It was moved by R.W. Bro. H. M. P. deRoche and W. Bro. T. H. Sendall: "That the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on W. Brother Carl Bart Mutchler." On the motion being put it was declared lost.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Geo. Lythgoe and W. Bro. W. H. Hart: "That the report of the Grand Lodge of 1942 adopting the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, be rescinded in order that the same be re-opened for further consideration." On the motion being put it was declared carried.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. Geo. Lythgoe and W. Bro. W. H. Hart: "That the names of W. Bros. S. H. E. Mitchell and W. Ratcliffe be included in the recommendation of the Committee on Condition of Masonry for the rank of Past D.D.G.M., as submitted to the 1942 Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, and as appearing on page 38 of the Proceedings of the said Grand Lodge." On the motion being put it was declared lost.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion and W. Bro. R. W. Kirkby: "That the report of the Committee on Condition of Masonry as presented to the 1942 Annual Communication and as appearing on page 38 of the Proceedings of said Grand Lodge, and as today rescinded, be now adopted." On the motion being put it was declared carried.

Notices of Motion

M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig tabled the following notice of motion: "That at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M., I, or some member of Grand Lodge will move on my behalf, under the provisions of Section 7 of the Constitution, that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on W. Brother W. Ratcliffe of Central Butte Lodge No. 114, and D.D.G.M. of District No. 3 during 1941-42."

W. Bro. W. H. Hart tabled the following notice of motion: "That at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, A.F. & A.M., I, or some member of Grand Lodge will move on my behalf, under the provisions of Section 7 of the Constitution that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred on W. Bro. S. H. E. Mitchell of Weyburn Lodge No. 20 and D.D.G.M. of District No. 6 during 1941-42."

Election of Officers

The hour having arrived for the election of Officers, the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bros. J. Orville Clarke, A. O. Brooks; R.W. Bros. S. Lowe, H. M. Stewart, G. R. Binkley, R. Mayes, E. J. Medland; W. Bros. T. H. Sendall, R. T. Blakeley, W. E. Cutt, W. J. Bourne, E. H. M. Knowles; Bros. T. Barraclough, Percy Reed, scrutineers. The result of the ballot was as follows:

R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion (63)	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. C. Carter (65)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes (26)	Grand Senior Warden
V.W. Bro. W. L. Clink (19)	Grand Junior Warden
R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner (154)	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate (11)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. T. H. Pendlebury (3)	Grand Registrar
Bro. R. J. Fleming (11)	Grand Tyler

Board of General Purposes

The following Brethren were elected to the Board of General Purposes for two years: A. M. Bell (74), E. C. Bird (174), H. Mackay (62), W. H. Moor (16), J. R. Young (144), and for one year: T. Guest (144).

Board of Benevolence

The following Brethren were elected Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for the ensuing three years: W. M. Martin (2), N. B. Williams (77).

Votes of Thanks

On motion of M.W. Bros. J. W. MacNeill and A. O. Brooks, it was resolved that: "The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, assembled at the 37th Annual Communication, desires to express its gratitude and appreciation to the Officer Commanding the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for permittting his Officer, Sgt. J. Rob-

inson, to attend this Annual Communication and exemplify the Flag drill and further, desires to express appreciation to Sgt. Robinson for having exemplified this drill in such splendid manner."

On motion of R.W. Bro. A. C. Garner and M.W. Bro. N. B. Williams it was resolved that: "The appreciation of this Grand Lodge and a very hearty vote of thanks be extended for the many kindnesses and unfailing courtesies extended to us on every hand by our hosts, the several Lodges of the City of Saskatoon and the Sutherland Lodge, the citizens of Saskatoon, the Press and the Hotel management. We further desire to express our warm appreciation and thanks to the several committees in charge of arrangements made for our good and welfare; to the several artists by whom we have been so delightfully entertained, to the Choir of Lodge Progress for their several well-finished performances; to Brothers Edwards and Jones, who provided the music for the Ceremonies, and to the Rotary Club for the loan of their Flags."

Addresses

V.W. Bro. W. E. Niblock of Victoria, British Columbia, who had come specially to attend this Communication, thanked the Brethren for the welcome extended to him.

V.W. Bro. L. M. Outerbridge, Grand Chaplain, on Active Service with the Royal Canadian Navy, had arranged his leave to be at his station in Grand Lodge and briefly addressed the Brethren on some of his experiences as Navy Chaplain (Active). He paid glowing tribute to the fine spirit and undaunted courage of our Saskatchewan youth in that branch of the Service, saying "they have an exalted sense of duty, and a natural dignity, the product of a life lived in the wide-open spaces which makes them splendid 'soldiers'—there are few their equal and none better."

M. W. Bro. George F. Ellis spoke briefly on the pleasure he had experienced in attending the sessions of Grand Lodge and urged that Masons of the four Western Provinces unite their efforts in "serving those who are saving us" and in advancing the common aims and interests of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master called the Craft from labour to refreshment at 12.40 p.m.

THE SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 2.00 p.m., M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, Grand Master, on the Throne; Grand Officers, Members and Representatives present.

Thanks

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master tendered his personal thanks to the scrutineers; to M.W. Bro. James McGregor and V.W. Bro. Thomas Guest, acting Director of Ceremonies, for undertaking the Ceremony of Installation; to those who had so efficiently acted as personal hosts to our distinguished visitors; to Brothers E. J. Edwards and Harry Jones for arranging and conducting the splendid musical ritual; to Brother Sgt.

James Robinson for his impressive exemplification of the Flag Ceremony, and finally to all who had contributed in so many ways to the success of the Communication.

Installation of Officers

All business to come before Grand Lodge having been transacted, the Grand Master called on M.W. Brother James McGregor to act as Installing Officer. The newly-elected Grand Master and Grand Officers were duly installed by M.W. Bro. McGregor, with V.W. Bro. T. Guest discharging the duties of Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The following Brethren, selected by their respective Districts, were appointed by the M.W. the Grand Master as District Deputy Grand Masters for the ensuing year, obligated and invested:

W. Bro. J. R. T. Taylor, No. 1
V.W. Bro. F. A. Williamson, No. 2
W. Bro. Wm. Matheson, No. 3
W. Bro. E. B. Saunders, No. 4
W. Bro. E. S. Humphreys, No. 5
V.W. Bro. Arthur Shotter, No. 6
W. Bro. R. A. Leslie, No. 7
W. Bro. J. P. Gordon, No. 8
W. Bro. S. H. Edgar, No. 10
W. Bro. Harry Long, No. 11
W. Bro. W. McDougald, No. 12
W. Bro. W. J. Bowie, No. 13
W. Bro. J. C. Cram, No. 14
W. Bro. Samuel Orr, No. 16
V.W. Bro. L. E. Jones, No. 17.

The following Brethren were also appointed to office for the ensuing year by the M.W. the Grand Master, and were duly invested:

Bro. Bishop E. H. Knowles (11)	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. E. P. Line (193)	Grand Senior Deacon
W. Bro. E. Greenfield (53) . . .	Grand Junior Deacon
V.W. Bro. Thos. Guest (144)	Grand D. of C.
W. Bro. E. A. Branion (162) .	Grand Supt. of Works
Bro. D. B. Bunting (71) .	Grand Organist
W. Bro. James Graham (125) .	Grand Pursuivant

Grand Stewards

W. Bro. P. J. Warner (147)
W. Bro. P. B. Thomson (21)
W. Bro. W. C. McArton (80)
W. Bro. W. G. Simpson (141)
W. Bro. W. H. Walker (135)
W. Bro. M. H. Kine (83)
W. Bro. H. G. Percival (194)
W. Bro. Roy Landon (81)
W. Bro. W. P. Totzke (171)

The Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the elected and appointed officers duly installed and invested for the ensuing twelve months.

M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks, on behalf of the newly-installed Grand Master and Grand Officers, expressed appreciation to M.W. Bro. James McGregor and V.W. Bro. Thomas Guest for having so efficiently and impressively carried out the Ceremony of Installation.

Presentation to Retiring Grand Master

M.W. Bro. Robt. Young, on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, with a suitably engraved Past Grand Master's Jewel, as a mark of esteem and affection and as a token of appreciation for the outstanding leadership given Saskatchewan Freemasonry by Brother Fraser during his year in office.

Grand Lodge Closes

The business of Grand Lodge having been transacted, the Thirty-seventh Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 4.30 p.m.

ROBT. A. TATE,
Grand Secretary.

In Memory

OF

His Royal Highness

The Duke of Kent, K.G.

GRAND MASTER

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

Killed on Active Service

August 25th, 1942

In Memory

of

The Illustrious Dead

of

Sister Grand Lodges

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Thomas James Agnew

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 6, G.R.M., 1889

Died August 10th, 1942.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Enoch Mitchell

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 4, 1917

Died April 4th, 1943.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Sydney George Peters

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 7, 1925

Died November 4th, 1942.

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

William Henry Jackett

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 10, 1934.

Died Januray 26th, 1943.

In Memory of

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

John Alfred Deyell

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

DISTRICT No. 5, 1919.

Died August 23rd, 1942.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

George Manson McKay

GRAND SENIOR DEACON, 1940

Died January 3rd, 1943.

VERY WORSHIPFUL BROTHER

Harry Harper Wells

GRAND STEWARD, 1920

Died March 26th, 1942.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
1.	Kinistino	Thomas J. Agnew, John T. Brightmore, Henry Robt. Milne, Philip H. Williams, Thos. C. Hall.
2.	Wascana	Alfred G. Hughes, Kenneth D. Ross, Joseph J. White, Robt. H. Matthews.
3.	Moose Jaw	Richard B. Ferguson, James A. Cann, George M. Annable, Geo. E. D. McWilliams, Thos. A. Getty, Robt. L. Frost.
4.	Qu'Appelle Valley	Arthur Atherton
5.	Indian Head	John Bell.
7	Moosomin	James Montgomery, D. M. Tubman.
8.	Ashlar	William H. Stoddart, Eugene Frank Roland.
9.	Maple Leaf	Walter E. Gover.
10.	Evening Star	William Ingram, William L. Burnham, Charles G. Weldon.
11.	N.W.M.P.	Edgar C. Rossie, Ernest E. Thomas, Samuel McLarty, Edwin A. Munro, Alex Garen.
14.	Sintaluta	John James Olmsted, Walter C. Olmsted, Enoch Mitchell.
16.	Saskatchewan	Mark J. Scott, Wilfred L. Comer, David E. McCarter, Archibald F. Malloy, John C. Bell, William E. McLellan, M. C. Tomlinson.
18.	Melfort	John A. McMillan, O. J. Olafson, John L. Cogswell.
19.	Battle.	John Y. Roycroft, Adams G. Cunningham, Ronald B. Holliday.
20.	Weyburn	Albert H. Shaw, Arthur W. Knox.
23.	Britannia	J. W. L. Turner.
25.	Estevan	Leonard Wright, Joseph E. Brinkworth.
26.	Swift Current	Robert C. Weyman, Alexander B. Shaw, Frank E. West.
28.	Hanley	Gordon Bowler.
31.	Ionic	John R. Chisholm, Lorne E. Park, Andrew Lennox, Sidney G. Peters.
33.	Davidson	Ernest H. Lockwood.
35.	Prince Rupert	Reginald Harvey.
37.	Wapella	George A. Stutt, William S. Bending.
39.	Boscurvis	William J. Stevenson.
42.	Caron	Harry H. Beaudreau, William J. Bates.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
43.	Ishpaming	Samuel Wm. Carrothers.
45.	Aurora	Pierre Peters, James Prouse.
49.	Assiniboia	Henry P. Thompson.
53.	Nanatah	George A. Dodds.
54.	Buchanan	Herbert E. Williams.
56.	Elbow View	William T. Reese.
57.	Prairie	Charles H. Irvine, Allan L. Thompson.
58.	King Solomon	James M. Bloomfield, Donald Smith, William H. Jackett.
60.	Imperial	George E. Hicks, George Simpson, William H. Evans.
61.	Rocanville	Frederick A Sharpley.
62.	Melville	Harry B. Card.
63.	Prince Albert	Robert D. Robertson, Percival W. Pennefather.
64.	Manitou	Bert R. McKee.
67.	Eyebrow	Charles K. Crawford.
68.	Govan	Evan Edwards, Thomas H. Traviss, Tracy M. Wallbridge, Jacob T. McNee, Robert I. Scott.
69.	Carrot River	Charles Herbert Barrs.
71.	Doric	Thomas N. Cruikshank, John McWatt.
73.	Unity	Hugh E. Hamilton.
76.	Tisdale	Charles W. Hayes.
77.	Abernethy	George M. McKay.
78.	Tugaske	William G. Elliott.
79.	Foam Lake	Wallace E. Somers, Hugh McCuish.
83.	Meridian	James R. Dougan, Joseph Wyman, Albert J. Stephens.
84.	Lanigan	William F. Howard, William H. Stewart, Stanley E. Gilhooly.
87.	Wadena	George T. Clarkson, Jacob A. Renz, Grant H. Jenkins
89.	Twin City.	Fred A. Nicklin.
92.	Lodge Progress	Thomas Skinner, James Gilmour.
93.	Morse	Angus D. McIntyre, John Barrows, James B. Fletcher.
95.	Evergreen	Alexander C. Wilson, John A. Deyell.
97.	Radisson	Harry Ashcroft.
99.	Goose Lake	Alexander L. Anderson, William H. Morgan, William S. Cumming, Robert Ramsay.
100.	Biggar	Ralph D. Johnson, William Brownlee.

In Memory of

No.	Lodge	Name
101.	Acacia	Joseph H. Fraser, W. Leslie Crittenden, Fred Davis, Joseph S. Francis.
103.	Composite	Samuel Marks.
108.	Long Lake	Herbert V. Heald, Arthur T. Pryor.
109.	Limerick	Angus K. Buchanan.
113.	Broderick	Thomas Henry Lougheed.
118.	Paragon	Albert Benedict.
119.	Cabri	George W. Loree, Swan A. Evart, Gustaf F. Erickson, James A. Manning, Guy H. Martin.
123.	Lancer	John Masson, Albert R. Spence, Wallace P. Kennedy.
125.	Latomia	James L. Walker.
130.	Togo	Robert Cormack.
131.	Dinston	Olav Alfred Ness.
134.	Eston	Thomas H. Wilson.
135.	Elrose	Garnet H. Irvine.
136.	St. George	Frederick J. Pattison.
138.	Kincaid	William E. Bedford.
140.	Sceptre.	John M. Murray.
141.	Progressive	Harry H. Wells.
143.	Hawarden	Albert E. Baker.
144.	Victory	John S. McIntyre.
149.	Loverna	William G. Dunbar.
151.	Viscount	Henry C. Cotter.
154.	Banner	John Sandison, Frank B. Angley, W. J. Campbell, H. K. Misenhimer.
155.	Raymore	Frank Gregory.
160.	Cut Knife	John J. Roberts, E. A. Dillman.
162.	Saltcoats	William M. Mollard.
164.	Milestone	Halden Edgar Greer.
167.	Preeceville	George R. Blackmore, Thomas Gelmon.
172.	Memorial	Charles W. Kern, Hugh A. McDiarmid, Walter Graham Henderson.
173.	Lakeview	Thomas Edward Smith.
174.	St. Andrews	Thomas Wesley Byam, F. J. Hugli.
175.	Radville	Joseph Shibley.
177.	Verwood	James Reid, Mathew H. Bourk.
178.	Norquay	Stephen Victor Gudmundson.
181.	Tuberose	David Alexander White.
185.	Loyalty	John G. McKenzie, Daniel E. Buck.
186.	Emulation	William W. Armstrong, Robert J. McClements, Dewitt T. Elderkin.
187.	Lucky Lake	William Ross Smith.
189.	Herschel	Gordon McDonald.

STATISTICAL TABLE—

	No. of Lodge	Per Capita Membership, March, 1942	Initiated	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended	Deaths	Com. L. Mbrs.	Per Capita Membership, March, 1943	Com. L. Mbrs.	Total Membership	Meetings Held Regular	Meetings Held Emergent	Average Attendance
Kinistino	1	116	6	1	6	2		2	1	124	36	160	12	13	35
Wascana	2	184	4		3	2	3	4	1	181	48	229	10	9	31
Moose Jaw	3	291	7	3	1	4	1	5	1	291	12	303	10	13	36
Qu'Appelle Valley	4	41	1	1			1		1	41	10	51	10		17
Indian Head	5	94	1			1	1	1		92		92	11	1	28
Qu'Appelle	6	31	1	1	1		2			32	10	42	12	2	17
Moosomin	7	61	3		1					65	16	81	12	4	12
Ashlar	8	34		1			3	1		31	2	33	13		10
Maple Leaf	9	59	2	1			3	1		58		58	11	1	10
Evening Star	10	35	2		1			2	1	35	7	42	11	5	11
N.W.M.P.	11	217	4	2	3	2	8	3	1	212	45	257	10	6	41
Yorkton	12	71	5	3		4				75	7	82	10	1	11
Duck Lake	13	20			2	1				21	1	22	7	1	7
Sintaluta	14	52	1					2		51		51	11	1	15
Amity	15	27		1			2		3	23	31	54	10		11
Saskatchewan	16	266	10	8		4		6		274	55	329	10	30	37
Carlyle	17	51				1				50	4	54	6		8
Melfort	18	105		1	1	4	4	3		96	12	108	13	1	15
Battle	19	49	3					2		50	20	70	10	8	20
Weyburn	20	78	2		4	1	9	2		72		72	11		24
Arcola	21	39		2	1	1			1	40	5	45	5		12
Rosthern	22	37		1		1				37	1	38	8	1	10
Britannia	23	54				1				53	6	59	11	1	9
Wolseley	24	31				1				30	2	32	9		9
Estevan	25	81	2		1		1		1	82	33	115	9		28
Swift Current	26	113	1	1	1	4		3	2	107	11	118	12	2	29
Alameda	27	19	2							21	3	24	8		9
Hanley	28	42	4	1	1			1		47	2	49	9	3	12
Heward	29	25							1	24	7	31	4	1	9
New Hope	30	44				1				43	2	45	6		8
Ionic	31	117	2	3	1	1	2	3		117	32	149	10	2	25
Golden Rule	32	30		1	1					32	3	35	10		11
Davidson	33	72	3		1	2		1		73	5	78	10	1	17
Lang	34	39	1	1						41		41	10		21
Prince Rupert	35	42	1			1		1		41	31	72	10	1	13
Bruce	36	51				2	2			47	1	48	9	1	15
Wapella	37	27			8			2		33	1	34	8		9
Ekapo	38	33		1						34	5	39	10		8
Boscurvis	39	40	2	1		1		1		41	4	45	12	2	13
Rouleau	40	69	2		1	2	2			68	23	91	10		22
Drinkwater	41	52			1	2				51	3	54	12	1	17
Caron	42	64	3	1				1	1	66	6	72	14	2	22
Ishpaming	43	26	4		1	3		1		27	2	29	11	1	14
Landmark	44	67	2		2	1				70	6	76			
Aurora	45	29	3			2		2		28	2	30	9	2	9
Strasbourg	46	26	2				1		1	26	9	35	8	1	9
Cupar	47	34				2				32	1	33	8	2	9
Grayson	48	36								36	5	41			
Assiniboia	49	225	5	2	1	6	1	1	1	224	14	238	11	11	42

——CONSTITUENT LODGES

Amt. Paid for Local Relief	Mbrs. 12 months in Arrears	Total Arrearages	Cash on Hand	Assets	Liabilities	Insurance in Force	No. Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge own its own Hall?
63.94	39	485.00	1,931.54	5,291.54	100.00	2,000.00	1	No
	41	466.09	170.49	14,731.58	3,986.62	300.00	1	Pt
161.31	71	476.38	1,459.51	77,080.37	265.49	35,000.00	1	Yes
110.36	9	86.00	243.95	4,163.95		2,500.00	1	Yes
30.00	17	148.00	176.72	1,131.72	7.00	500.00	1	No
40.00	7	181.00	360.19	4,262.19	14.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
		185.00	81.25	1,065.96	189.16	1,000.00	1	No
	7	77.00	147.74	2,364.74		1,200.00	2	Yes
	11	185.00	286.38	1,232.38		1,000.00	1	No
	9	85.00	207.50	1,192.50	83.00	500.00	1	No
104.00	40	498.00	1,315.05	13,590.41	988.00	150.00	1	Pt.
163.51	28	302.00	426.89	4,599.89	38.00	200.00	1	No
	2	38.00	71.83	879.83	24.00	300.00	1	No
	51	600.00	25.45	1,825.45		2,700.00	1	Pt.
	5	108.67	286.77	854.77	115.49	500.00	1	No
358.14	87	1,128.11	1,245.71	7,937.14	140.50	400.00	3	Pt.
	28	591.00	135.59	876.59	6.00	450.00	1	No
	38	903.00	282.94	3,630.94	40.00	2,325.00	1	Yes
	13	130.00	122.14	805.14	98.48	500.00	1	No
	18	278.50	169.02	6,740.72		3,330.00	1	Pt.
25.00	8	120.00	245.38	1,025.38	40.00	500.00	1	No
	7	106.00	26.66	4,544.66	834.90	2,900.00	1	Yes
	54	440.00	154.26	4,394.26	452.50	2,550.00	1	Yes
	14	214.10	3.14	433.24		250.00	1	No
	30	292.00	200.83	1,312.83	74.00	700.00	1	No
24.00	28	343.77	750.20	10,796.47	4,220.87	6,000.00	1	Yes
	6	96.00	208.56	424.56			1	No
34.50	12	130.00	133.44	2,001.44		800.00	1	No
	8	35.67	28.95	1,274.62	73.00	800.00	1	Yes
	13	174.00	248.07	892.07	34.00	200.00	1	No
	21	240.00	510.39	7,417.52	130.00	900.00	1	No
	6	36.00	144.78	820.78		300.00	1	No
50.00	20	357.00	48.09	1,057.05	126.00	500.00	1	No
	21	644.00	65.72	1,709.04	44.00	750.00	1	Yes
36.04	8	94.50	171.38	3,914.88	1.00	3,500.00	1	Yes
	25	394.00	252.60	898.60	115.00			Pt.
	12	84.00	216.63	700.63	28.50		1	No
	10	78.00	207.90	2,549.90		1,500.00	1	Yes
36.00	19	191.75	13.29	1,018.46	14.00	600.00	1	No
	24	150.50	279.44	5,920.24	5.00	3,100.00	1	Yes
	30	397.80	210.84	1,008.64	36.00	400.00	1	No
	20	331.50	162.07	2,569.28	106.22	1,500.00	1	Yes
24.00	8	112.00	21.95	296.45	60.00	300.00	1	No
50.00	9	389.00	82.24	426.24	72.00	300.00	1	No
15.00	12	289.00	81.61	551.61	22.50	600.00	1	No
	32	538.00	106.00	3,644.00	88.15	2,550.00	1	Yes
	21	560.00	110.98	1,120.98	108.61	300.00		No
	47	835.00	516.25	12,446.25	288.17	200.00	1	Pt.

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Golden Fleece	50	40	1							41	2.	43	7	1	10
Touchwood	51	25	3		2		5			25	6	31	12	2	12
Border	52	14		2						16		16	3		3
Nanatah	53	65	1	4			1	1		68	7	75	12	3	19
Buchanan	54	18	2							20	6	26	8	2	8
Craik	55	49					1			48		48	11		17
Elbow View	56	18						1		17	1	18	9		6
Prairie	57	64	1	1		1		3		62	5	67	10	3	18
King Solomon	58	56	1	2		3	3	3	1	49	24	73	12	2	14
Canora	59	43	1							44	11	55	9	1	9
Imperial	60	171	5	2	2	2	2	2	4	170	37	207	10	13	30
Rocanville	61	28	3			1		1	1	28	8	36	9		15
Melville	62	107	4	1		4	5		2	101	14	115	10	7	25
Prince Albert	63	122	4	1	1	1	1	2		124	22	146	10	10	28
Manitou	64	66	1			1		1		65	11	76	10	2	16
Outlook	65	32	2			1				33	1	34	11		9
Wynyard	66	57	3	1		3				58	7	65	14	1	16
Eyebrow	67	27	2					1		28	12	40	10		8
Govan	68	51	1					3		49	16	65	11	5	12
Carrot River	69	63						1		62		62	12	2	10
Cypress	70	59	1	1						61	4	65	10		17
Doric	71	95	2					1		96	13	109	10	6	25
Corinthian	72	50		1						51	10	61	10		11
Unity	73	72						1		71	2	73	12	2	19
Kilwinning	74	35				1				34	8	42	10	1	11
Harmony	75	27			1	2	1		1	24	4	28	10		17
Tisdale	76	102		4			1	1		104	8	112	11	2	26
Abernethy	77	55	8					1	1	61	6	67	14	11	21
Tugaske	78	55	1			2	2	1	1	50	2	52	12	1	15
Foam Lake	79	46	3	1		2		2		46		46	11		15
Connaught	80	22		1		1				22	4	26	6		10
Tuscan	81	28				2				26	2	28	10		10
Victoria	82	48			1	1				48	6	54	6	1	11
Meridian	83	26	3	1				2		28	8	36	12	2	13
Lanigan	84	27	5	1					1	32	15	47	11	2	10
Zealandia	85	35					3	1		31	5	36	12	3	13
Kindersley	86	100	1			2	3			96	10	106	10		21
Wadena	87	43	2			3	2	3		37		37	11	5	14
Briercrest	88	30				1				29	1	30	5		5
Twin City	89	74	3	3		1		1	1	77	7	84	10	11	13
Kerrobert	90	82	9	1		1				91	9	100	13	6	23
Rosetown	91	86	2	1		1			2	86	21	107	12	1	20
Lodge Progress	92	249	14	4	4	5	2	2		262	7	269	10	29	54
Morse	93	33	8		1			2	1	39	7	46	9	1	12
Maryfield	94	39	1	1		1	1			39	1	40	7		10
Evergreen	95	19	3					1		21	1	22	9	6	8
Yellow Grass	96	42		1						43		43	10		22
Radisson	97	26	1			1		1		25	11	36	12	1	12
Union	98	36	1		1					38	6	44	12		10
Goose Lake	99	33	3	2	1				2	37	4	41	8	4	11

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	21	550.00	46.51	521.51			1	No
	9	159.00	256.87	915.87	14.17	450.00	1	No
	14	100.00	125.00	330.00	22.50		1	No
65.00	16	95.00	132.38	5,094.58	10.00	1,300.00	1	Yes
	10	140.00	17.72	1,461.72	10.20	1,000.00		Yes
	10	116.00	156.32	3,781.97	60.00	2,100.00	1	Yes
	2	10.00	72.46	948.02		400.00	1	No
	17	13.30	168.77	2,729.77		1,500.00	1	Yes
67.05	15	310.00	193.98	4,323.98	507.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	28	362.50	118.90	2,318.90	10.36		2	Yes
169.85	56	825.00	456.33	6,828.09	255.97	300.00	3	Pt.
	8	118.00	227.25	751.00		150.00	1	No
252.00	38	620.00	240.20	7,130.88	892.00	5,800.00	1	Yes
25.00	46	518.00	625.40	4,231.40		2,000.00	1	No
	21	200.29	200.18	3,232.18	1,500.00	750.00	1	No
	14	147.00	119.83	2,689.33		1,300.00		Yes
75.00	5	56.00	106.66	4,784 66	31.00	1,000.00	1	No
	15	570.00	159.51	3,059.51		600.00	1	No
	12	225.84	49.22	8,642.70	802.64	8,650.00	1	Yes
	27	900.00	30.00	4,870.00	180.00	3,000.00	1	Yes
	33	712.00	316.33	7,758.33	381.00	3,900.00	1	Yes
67.50	25	375.50	103.93	2,260.95	64.50	400.00	1	No
	21	167.00	58.24	1,431.24	93.00	750.00	1	No
	29	16.67	105.19	922.19	112.85	250.00	1	No
	11	14.00	76.54	231.29		750.00	4	No
	12	11.30	175.32	475.00		300.00		No
60.00	15	144.00	121.56	4,719.56	64.00	3,425.00	1	Yes
12.40	33	475.00	67.99	1,942.99	35.00	350.00	1	No
	15	542.00	165.26	3,807.91	36.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
	10	96.00	94.09	1,054.09	67.00	150.00	1	No
	13	339.00	183.42	996.42	50.00	400.00	1	No
20.00	14	367.00	159.08	1,086.48		500.00	1	No
	19	175.00	343.88	3,168.88	90.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
24.50	8	20.75	146.23	2,278.23	80.00	1,300.00	1	Yes
4.40	6	60.00	101.68	1,261.68		500.00	1	No
71.00	9	48.00	212.29	4,229.89	42.00	3,100.00	1	Yes
120.00	29	470.85	401.96	6,651.79		4,500.00	1	Yes
	12	110.00	77.97	1,165.97		1,000.00	1	No
	17	440.00	74.60	2,300.00	2,000.00	1,600.00	1	Yes
19.40	17	189.18	790.14	3,228.82	109.28	2,250.00	3	Yes
	22	17.48	331.49	7,160.64	99.55	4,100.00	1	Yes
	18	209.70	45.40	5,470.10	2,575.00	3,400.00	1	Yes
601.23	52	619.00	814.67	10,751.67	194.25	1,800.00	6	Pt.
	11	243.25	410.51	5,856.35	1,210.00	4,000.00	1	Yes
	14	140.00	62.00	646.50		300.00	1	No
	21	366.60	56.24	5,822.84	2,273.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
	14	195.00	7.91	420.91	65.00	200.00	1	No
27.00	10	130.00	239.24	1,234.24	30.00	250.00	1	No
	3	21.00	233.56	254.56	50.00	6.75	1	No
	12	60.00	15.61	375.61	56.00	200.00	1	No

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Biggar	100	110	5	2		5		2		110	8	118	11	4	23
Acacia	101	60	5					4		61	4	65	10		12
Invermay	102	22	2	1					1	24	1	25	10	3	12
Composite	103	29						1	1	27	8	35	11		9
King Hiram.	104	179	3	3		9	3		1	172	20	192	10	9	31
Gothic	105	52	3	1		3			1	52	2	54	12	2	20
St. John's.	106	72	1		1	2	3			69	6	75	10	2	15
Mortlach	107	44				2				42	2	44	9	1	9
Long Lake	108	53	2		1	1		2		53	2	55	11	6	14
Limerick	109	52	1					1		52		52	9	1	13
Shaunavon	110	98	3			3				98	16	114	11	2	24
Aneroid	111	57	3		1					61		61	10		12
Woodrow	112	57	1							58	12	70	12	2	21
Broderick	113	34	1					1		34	1	35	12	2	12
Central Butte	114	58	1			4				55		55	12	2	16
Landis	115	22								22		22	12	2	7
Ceylon	116	26								26		26	8		16
Dundurn.	117	31				3				28	3	31	8	2	11
Paragon	118	36	1			1		1		35		35	10	1	12
Cabri	119	87	7	1				5		90		90	12	2	21
Ogema.	120	34								34	4	38	11		14
Simpson	121	39	1	1		1				40	1	41	10	2	14
Azure	122	60	2	1	1	1				63	7	70	10	1	16
Lancer.	123	51						3		48	3	51	5		35
Mount Hermon	124	65	1			2	3			61	1	62	13	1	15
Latomia	125	80	2	1	1	1	9	1		73	2	75	10		16
Cadillac	126	25								25		25	7	1	9
Birch Hills	127	44	1	1	1	4				43		43	12	7	15
Meyronne	128	38	2			2				38		38	10	1	14
Mossbank	129	33	7		1	1	1			39		39	12	2	13
Togo	130	32	1					1		32	1	33	11	1	12
Dinston.	131	57	2		1			1		59	1	60	11	1	15
Conquest	132	35		1			1			35		35	7	1	15
Philathea	133	50	3	1		1				53	1	54	11	6	13
Eston	134	86	11			1		1		95		95	11	4	
Elrose	135	40	1			1	4			36	5	41	12	3	19
St. George	136	153	10	2	1			1	2	163	9	172	10	11	32
Tyrian.	137	26	4							30		30	10	1	11
Kincaid	138	68	2			2				68	5	73	10	2	20
Riverhurst	139	28								28	2	30	11	1	12
Sceptre	140	29		2		1		1		29		29	11	1	14
Progressive	141	55	2							57		57	11	3	16
Leader	142	54				1				53	4	57	7	1	9
Hawarden.	143	36	1			2		1		34	1	35	11	2	12
Victory	144	161	8	2	1	4	2	1	1	164	5	169	10	10	25
Elfros.	145	34	1		1	2				34		34	12	2	12
Asquith	146	29	2	2						33	1	34	12	2	11
Elstow.	147	52		2		2	1		2	49	3	52	8	2	12
Dunblane	148	39								39	1	40	8	1	9
Loverna	149	33	1					1		33		33	10	2	15

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	16	12.59	440.31	5,194.31		3,300.00	1	Yes
	7	84.00	81.13	3,241.13	332.00	200.00	1	Yes
9.62	7	88.50	229.24	3,477.24	10.00	1,200.00	1	Yes
24.00	6	143.00	80.12	562.92	88.00	450.00	1	No
203.64	54	628.00	370.41	11,299.23	70.00	300.00	1	Pt.
	11	7.87	241.06	5,135.56		34.00	1	Yes
	15	229.00	237.42	3,916.42	1.00	350.00	1	No
53.50	45	293.00	91.33	2,282.83		320.00		No
	23	407.00	88.74	2,705.74	98.00	2,100.00	2	Yes
	16	200.00	112.71	1,012.71	55.00	500.00	1	No
80.00	35	509.65	265.92	7,669.72	64.50	1,000.00	2	No
15.00	15	90.00	150.53	2,415.53	10.00	400.00	1	No
	15	81.00	394.70	1,415.70	14.00	350.00	1	No
50.00	7	35.00		2,364.27	.73	1,700.00	1	Yes
17.00	15	280.50	240.65	3,854.66	4.00	2,500.00	1	Yes
	4	15.00	95.93	990.93	1.80	300.00	3	No
	4	126.00	388.01	1,689.01		1,200.00	1	Pt.
	9	317.00	62.46	682.46		225.00	1	No
14.20	12	15.50	35.00	371.00	18.00	200.00	1	No
	17	82.00	234.59	2,016.59		500.00	1	No
4.50	2	23.08	83.19	3,656.27	557.50	2,250.00	1	Yes
45.00	10	142.52	73.44	347.57	32.00	200.00	2	No
	20	428.00	179.81	5,055.81		3,100.00	1	Yes
60.00	20	172.00	10.65	2,540.00		1,200.00	1	Yes
18.00	4	24.00	112.93	3,732.66	84.00	3,500.00		No
48.00	25	320.00	147.53	4,617.53	55.00	3,050.00	5	Pt.
	7	80.00	109.12	1,449.12	202.50	200.00	1	Pt.
	16	260.00	223.23	1,378.23	48.29	400.00	1	No
	2	12.00	257.74	507.74		150.00	1	No
	10	200.00	159.00	3,999.00	470.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
32.35	7	92.00	104.41	1,485.25		1,320.00	1	Yes
	12	186.00	269.52	2,700.00		215.00	1	Yes
	18	227.50	205.25	1,482.75		400.00	1	No
	18	278.50	213.76	3,617.26		1,500.00	1	No
	32	405.00	639.34	8,268.50	90.00	10,800.00	1	Yes
	5	95.00	92.53	3,392.53	220.00	2,000.00	1	Yes
78.60	30	278.50	246.73	3,246.48	369.56	300.00	2	No
	8	100.00	264.40	1,509.40		900.00	1	Yes
12.00	22	223.00	315.42	2,390.42		250.00	1	Pt.
	5	46.00	211.51	3,432.51	51.00	1,750.00	1	No
	6	95.00	81.95	2,967.30	20.00	3,300.00		Yes
95.00	22	638.00	84.69	2,522.69	187.16	1,800.00	1	Yes
	24	600.00	475.14	5,465.14		4,500.00	1	Yes
35.00	7	85.00	270.00	2,368.00	1,438.00	1,800.00	1	Yes
168.89	48	487.50	454.00	2,362.06	217.85	500.00	3	Pt.
	3	24.00	372.92	2,461.92	25.00	200.00	1	No
			208.60	1,033.60		500.00	1	No
60.00	19	328.00	148.73	1,211.73	33.30		1	No
16.00	4	36.00	184.64	2,132.64		2,000.00	1	Yes
	5	10.60	401.40	842.90	105.00	200.00	1	No

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Wawota	150	30								30		30			
Viscount	151	41				1		1		39	2	41	12	1	8
Star City	152	38	1	1		2				38	3	41	12	1	14
Banner.	154	224	8		1	2	9	4	3	215	22	237	10	11	34
Raymore.	155	22			1			1		22		22	8	1	9
Avonlea	156	37	1	1	1	3				37	4	41	9		10
York	157	24		1						25	3	28	11		9
Borden .	158	46	1							47	4	51	13	1	12
Saltcoats .	160	38				1		2		35		35	10	1	10
Welwyn	161	19	2			2				19		19	8	2	11
Saltcoats	162	19					1			18		18	9	1	7
Fillmore	163	32	4	1		1				36		36	11	3	10
Milestone	164	42					1	1		40		40	9		14
St. Luke's	165	51							1	50	1	51	12	12	17
Wakaw	166	32	1		1	1				33		33	11	1	11
Preeceville	167	30						1		29	3	32	11		9
Earl Grey . .	168	26				1				25	1	26	9	1	10
Quill Lake	169	27	2	1						30		30	10	3	5
Sharon	170	27	3							30	2	32	10	1	10
Shellbrook . .	171	43	2			2				43	3	46	12	2	18
Memorial	172	75	4			3	1	3	1	71	2	73	10	3	18
Lakeview	173	20					2	1		17		17	6		7
St. Andrew's	174	146	13	2			4	2		155		155	11	18	35
Radville	175	47	1				1	1		46	2	48	10	2	19
Gray	176	31								31		31	10		7
Verwood	177	46	3	1				2		48		48	7	1	14
Norquay .	178	33	3		1			1		36		36	10		9
Kelvington	179	36				1				35		35	4		7
Herbert .	180	28	1		1	1				29		29	6	1	8
Tuberose. .	181	38	3					1		40		40	13	3	18
Lonach	182	27			1					28	1	29	10		11
Nipawin	183	49	3	1		1	3			49		49	12	1	15
Osage .	184	28	1		1	2		1		27	1	28	7	2	11
Loyalty	185	26	3	1				2		28	2	30	12	1	14
Emulation	186	81	3	1		1	1	3		80	1	81	10	3	20
Lucky Lake	187	26	1							27		27	9	1	11
Glenedyth .	188	53			1	1				53		53	11	1	14
Herschel	189	29	1	1				1		30	2	32	11	2	11
Turtleford .	190	32	3	1	1					37		37	10	1	10
Macrorie	191	16	3							19	1	20	11	1	10
Sovereign	192	37		1		1				37		37	12	3	22
Mazenod. .	193	34	1			1				34		34	12	2	13
Vanguard .	194	28				1	3			24		24	7		8
Pleasantdale.	195	25					2			23		23	6		9
Lacadena	196	37								37		37	11		15
Chaplin .	197	29	3							32		32	12	2	14
Colfax	198	33	4			1				36		36	11	3	10
Admiral	199	23								23		23	10	2	9
Hudson Bay	200	27								27		27	10	2	8

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	26	330.00	21.20	531.20	5.00	400.00	1	No
	18	213.58	142.65	2,923.00	30.00	1,900.00	1	Yes
75.40	13	250.00	42.16	4,582.16	60.00	3,100.00	1	Yes
60.00	103	2,073.00	1,038.18	15,255.55	143.61	250.00	1	Pt.
		44.00	132.59	326.59	64.00	150.00	1	No
	15	265.60	5.26	4,338.06	851.25	3,500.00	1	Yes
	9	101.00	437.71	748.71	72.00	300.00	1	No
	16	323.80	234.01	2,107.81		1,800.00	1	Yes
	17	371.50	237.79	1,041.29	55.00	250.00	1	No
	5	76.00	62.72	225.72		150.00	1	No
			96.85	1,882.85		1,600.00	1	Yes
	5	25.00	254.65	679.65	10.00	400.00	1	No
	16	295.00	195.15	4,690.15	2,395.00	3,000.00	1	Yes
60.31	15	16.60	359.19	1,071.19	55.00	300.00	1	No
	20	323.50	225.59	1,199.09		400.00	1	No
10.00	7	85.00	79.06	3,104.06		1,600.00	1	Yes
	9	385.00	27.40	1,662.40		1,500.00	1	Yes
155.00	5	102.00	153.37	2,183.00		600.00	1	No
	11	135.00	66.70	2,451.70	28.00	1,250.00	1	Yes
10.30	8	127.20	106.43	1,513.63		1,000.00	1	No
	25	312.25	346.54	1,800.79	102.50	300.00	1	No
	5	40.00	102.64	495.64		250.00	1	No
	159	891.35	498.02	11,040.37	1,019.66	350.00	1	Pt.
68.37	11	168.00	337.05	1,146.05	222.00	300.00	2	No
	7	114.00	108.00	2,352.00		1,500.00	1	Yes
	17	579.75	49.63	1,577.38	62.50	750.00	1	No
60.00	17	490.00	111.14	2,951.44	665.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
60.00	10	143.00	78.82	471.82	33.74	250.00		No
	19	273.00	110.02	660.02	117.00	300.00	1	No
65.00	10	120.00	123.69	2,243.69	220.00	1,900.00	1	Yes
36.00	1	10.00	45.00	2,555.00	239.00	1,800.00		Yes
	17	260.00	320.41	3,323.91	67.00	400.00	1	No
	10	168.00	246.00	964.00		300.00	1	No
	7	110.00	190.00	850.00		200.00	1	No
	39	1,461.50	424.26	11,885.76	5,045.90	200.00	1	Pt.
	14	107.00	69.95	1,249.95	100.00		1	No
	22	784.00	123.95	1,284.00	75.00	200.00		No
30.00	4	48.00	317.56	865.56	66.00	400.00	1	Yes
	7	83.00	259.26	1,632.26	7.00	200.00	1	No
	2	17.00	122.83	843.73	68.00	300.00	1	No
	1	10.00	160.33	5,070.33		2,300.00	1	Yes
			167.54	2,227.54		1,250.00	1	Yes
	8	171.00	68.07	489.07	72.50	250.00	1	No
28.00	6	125.00	126.40	606.40	41.02	350.00	1	No
	1	16.00	16.43	1,136.72	40.00	200.00	1	Yes
	3	30.00	218.73	1,841.49	14.00	900.00	1	Yes
	13	203.00	175.00	2,200.00	14.00	1,500.00	1	Yes
24.00	4	84.10	120.29	1,454.39	10.00	1,430.00	1	Yes
	4	20.00	145.25	368.85				No

OFFICERS OF GRAND LODGE

Elected at its foundation, August, 1906, and annually since.

Year	G.M.	D.G.M.	G.S.W.	G.J.W.	G. Treas.	G. Sec'y	Gr. Regist.
1906—*H. H. Campkin		†C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. H. Smith
1907—*H. H. Campkin		†C. O. Davidson	*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. H. Smith
1908—†C. O. Davidson		*H. Jagger	W. B. Tate	*J. McGuirl	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*H. C. Lisle
1909—*H. Jagger		W. B. Tate	*Wm. Hopkins	*J. McGuirl	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*A. C. Patterson
1910— W. B. Tate		*Wm. Hopkins	*A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*F. S. Proctor
1911—*Wm. Hopkins		*A. S. Gorrell	*W. B. Willoughby	*L. T. McDonald	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	*D. P. Kennedy
1912—*A. S. Gorrell		*W. B. Willoughby	*L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1913—*W. B. Willoughby		*L. T. McDonald	*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1914—*L. T. McDonald		*W. M. Thomson	*J. H. Anderson	*J. Montgomery	*A. Shepphard	*J. M. Shaw	F. B. Reilly
1915—*W. M. Thomson		*J. H. Anderson	R. Young	C. Stewart	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1916—*J. H. Anderson		†J. McCauley	R. Young	N. B. Williams	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1917—†J. McCauley		R. Young	N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1918— R. Young		N. B. Williams	*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1919— N. B. Williams		*E. L. Elwood	†G. M. Weir	J. E. McFee	*A. Shepphard	W. B. Tate	F. B. Reilly
1920—*E. L. Elwood		†G. M. Weir	*A. Shepphard	J. W. MacNeill	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1921—†G. M. Weir		*A. Shepphard	J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1922—*A. Shepphard		J. W. MacNeill	*D. A. Kingsbury	†G. Swain	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1923— J. W. MacNeill		*D. A. Kingsbury	†G. Swain	W. J. Smith	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. A. Mooney
1924—*D. A. Kingsbury		†G. Swain	W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	F. B. Reilly	W. B Tate	J. A. Mooney
1925—†G. Swain		W. J. Smith	W. M. Martin	†J. K. Irwin	F. B. Reilly	W. B Tate	*J. W. Cram
1926— W. J. Smith		W. M. Martin	†J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	F B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1927— W. M. Martin		†J. K. Irwin	J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1928—†J. K. Irwin		J. O. Clarke	C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1929— J. O. Clarke		C. P. Moore	J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	*J. C Moore	W. B Tate	J R. Yorke
1930— C. P. Moore		J. McGregor	F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1931— J. McGregor		F. B. Reilly	N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1932— F. B. Reilly		N. R. Craig	*M. A. MacKay	†T. W. Sutherland	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	J. R. Yorke
1933— N. R. Craig		*M. A. MacKay	†T. W. Sutherland	J. R. Yorke	*J C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1934—†T. W. Sutherland		J. R. Yorke	J. W. Estey	M. Musk	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1935— J. R. Yorke		J. W. Estey	M. Musk	*S. C. Burton	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. Johnstone
1936— J. W. Estey		M. Musk	*S. C. Burton	*H. M. Underhill	*J. C. Moore	W. B. Tate	A. O. Brooks
1937— M. Musk		*S. C. Burton	*H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	A. C. Garner	W. B Tate	L. S. Sifton
1938—*S. C. Burton		*H. M. Underhill	A. O. Brooks	C. P. Seeley	A. C Garner	Robt. A Tate	T H Pendlebury
1939—*H. M. Underhill		A. O. Brooks	C. P. Seeley	D. Fraser	A. C Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T.H.Pendlebury
1940— A. O. Brooks		C P Seeley	D Fraser	S. J A. Branion	A. C Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T H.Pendlebury
1941— C. P. Seeley		D. Fraser	S. J. A. Branion	J. C Carter	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T.H.Pendlebury
1942— D. Fraser		S. J. A. Branion	J. C. Carter	F. C. Hayes	A. C. Garner	Robt. A. Tate	T.H.Pendlebury
1943— S. J. A. Branion		J. C Carter	F C. Hayes	W. L. Clink	A C Garner	Robt. A Tate	T.H.Pendlebury

* Deceased

† Left the Jurisdiction

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To Sask.	*Jurisdiction*	*From Sask.*
F. T. Fraser . Tisdale	Alabama	J. D. Pruett . Boaz
A. A. Wilson . . . . Regina	Alberta . .	W. J. Botterill .. Red Deer
	Arizona	J. K. Chilton .. Clifton
R. H. Chant . Foam Lake	Arkansas .	M. J. Manning .. Clarendon
Robt. A. Tate . Regina	Br. Columbia ..	H. B. Morley . . Penticton
N. B. Williams . Regina	Canada in Ont.	E. G. Dixon .. . . Hamilton
F. W. Hart Indian Head	Chile	Luis Quiroga .. .... Santiago
A. G. Rawlinson Qu'Appelle	Colorado .. .	C. S. Desch Jr. . . Denver
W. G. Robinson Francis	Connecticut.	G. B. Lewis . . Naugatuck
H. S. Craig . Rouleau	Costa Rica .	Alex. Murray . San Jose
George Grant . Quill Lake	Cuba .. .	F. J. P. Dominguez . Habana
G. H. Hummel . Nokomis	Delaware	A. H. Morris . .. . Lewes
A. Stewart Woodrow	D. of Columbia.	H. F. Johnson . Washington
J. McCauley . Moose Jaw	England	T. T. Blockley... . . Oxford
J. R. Young Saskatoon	Florida . .	Wm. F. Hansen . Pensacola
J. D. Watson . . Regina	Georgia . .	H. K. Lamb Brunswick
J. A. Newman . Regina	Idaho .	H. P. Glinderman C.d'Alene
C. P. Seeley Saskatoon	Illinois	Roscoe C. Clark .LaGrange
G. Hooker . . Woodrow	Indiana	S. B. Pettengill South Bend
	Iowa—does not exchange representatives	
W. B. Tate . Regina	Ireland	J. W. H. Davies . Waterford
W. M. Martin . . Regina	Kansas .	J. H. Trice . Medicine Lodge
T. A. Paterson . Arcola	Kentucky. .	W. C. Black ..Barbourville
T. J. Ford Saskatoon	Louisiana .	C. P. Derveloy . Alexandria
G. W. S. Eisnor Woodrow	Maine . .	A. A. Smith .. Bangor
W. O. Fraser Oxbow	Manitoba . .	A. Burgess . .... Winnipeg
H. H. Bamford Moose Jaw	Maryland . .	F. H. Ankeney. Cumberland
R. W. Asselstine Saskatoon	Massachusetts	James Young Salem
A. E. Orchard Borden	Mexico (York)	H. M. Campbell Mexico City
C. P. Moore Weyburn	Michigan	Ira A. Beck Battle Creek
C. H. Boyd Moose Jaw	Minnesota .	R. E. Van Kirk .. . St. Paul
J. E. McLarty N. Battleford	Mississippi ..	N. S. Kearney . . . Leland
J. O. Clarke . ... Govan	Missouri .	W. S. MacAaron.. . Boonville
W. J. Smith . Shaunavon	Montana .	H. C. Smith . . Miles City
M. Musk . . Prince Albert	Nebraska . .	O. C. Dovey .. ...Plattsmouth
F. C. Hayes Swift Current	Nevada. ..	F. H. Norcross . Carson City
J. W. Estey Saskatoon	New Brunswick	C. Dickason.. . . . St. John
H. Elliott . . .. Admiral	New Hampshire	J. J. Tilton . ... Effing
G. G. Grant Regina	New Jersey ...	F. J. McGrath . . . Newark
T. H. Pendlebury Moose Jaw	New Mexico .	M. D. Gibbs . . . . . Roy
W. S. Cooper Rosetown	N. S. Wales .	C. C. Paterson . . Sydney
S. J. A. Branion Prince Albert	New York. .	Wm. H. Myers . New York
F. B. Reilly Regina	New Zealand ..	J. D. Webster. .. . Auckland
A. M. Bell Adanac	N. Carolina	H. A. Hewell .. .. Henderson
J. R. Yorke . Regina	N. Dakota ..	P. O. Sathre . . Bismarck
N. R. Craig . Moose Jaw	Nova Scotia	J. S. Smiley . Amherst
A. C. Garner . . . Regina	Ohio .	G. W. Montgomery Youngston
W. H. Gibson . Indian Head	Oklahoma . .	B. Herstein .. .... Idabel
J. K. Irwin . . .. Regina	Oregon	I. W. Hope .. .. Vale
R. E. Johnson . Meyronne	Paraiba .. .	D. Mororo . Joao Pessoa
W. E. Jennings Limerick	Ph. Islands .	Vin. Orosa Cabanatuan
J. W. MacNeill N. Battleford	P. E. Island .	Wm. McLean ....Kensington
	Porto Rico .	R. R. Pabon . San Juan
J. A. Mooney . . . . Regina	Quebec . .	G. S. Burrows .St. Lambert

To Sask.		*Jurisdiction*	*From Sask.*	
J. W. Claxton	Grenfell	Queensland	F. Holland	Brisbane
Loy S. Sifton	Regina	Rhode Island	J. C. Collins	Providence
J. E. Rodney	Kerrobert	Rio de Janeiro	I. D. Costa	Rio de Janeiro
R. Young	Prince Albert	Scotland	Rt. Hon. Earl of Stair, Edinburgh	
		S. Australia	J. E. Walton	Adelaide
J. C. Carter	Outlook	S. Carolina	J. E. Hart	York
F. C. Wilson	Regina	S. Dakota	E. M. Westby	Madison
J. McGregor	Saskatoon	Tennessee	B. T. Dawkins	Memphis
A. G. McLean	Raymore	Texas	E. L. Ross	Fort Worth
F. A. Dunk	Regina	Utah	J. F. Woolley	Salt Lake City
J. N. Smith	Prince Albert	Vermont	J. C. Thomas	Orwell
C. M. Wilson	Regina	Victoria	R. G. Ball	Melbourne
D. Fraser	Regina	Virginia	J. L. Brown	Lynchburg
A. O. Brooks	Abernethy	Washington	J. M. Roberts	Tacoma
E. C. Bird	Regina	W. Australia	Ven. Arch. Moore	Perth
F. B. O'Neil	Langham	W. Virginia	T. G. Strickler	Ellenboro
F. M. Hodson	Rosthern	Wisconsin	C. Kummer	Sheboygan

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Alabama	Guy T. Smith	Montgomery
Alberta	Geo. Moore	Calgary
Arizona	H. A. Drachman	Tucson
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	Frank S. McKee	Vancouver
California	Lloyd E. Wilson	San Francisco
Canada in Ontario	E. G. Dixon	Hamilton
Chile	E. A. Saldias	Casilla No. 2867, Santiago
Colorado	C. A. Patton	Denver
Connecticut	Winthrop Buck	Hartford
Costa Rica	E. C. Bolanos	San Jose
Cuba	C. P. Gutierrez	La Habana, 72
Cuscatlan	J. L. Tellez	San Salvador
Delaware	C. R. Jones	Wilmington
District of Columbia	J. Claude Keiper	Washington
England	S. A. White	London, W.C. 2
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville
Georgia	D. W. Locklin	Macon
Guatemala	Dr. Jose Maria Lima	Apt. 312, C.A., Guatemala
Idaho	C. I. Rush	Boise
Illinois	Richard C. Davenport	Harrisburg
Indiana	W. H. Swintz	Indianapolis
Iowa	Charles C. Hunt	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	H. C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	E. F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Alpheus E. Orton	Louisville
Louisiana	D. P. Laguens	New Orleans
Maine	C. E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	J. H. G. Russell	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claud Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	F. H. Hilton	Boston
Mexico (York)	F. T. Berger	Box 1986, Mexico City
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	S. F. Curtis	Meridian

Missouri	Arthur Mather	St. Louis
Montana	L. T. Hauberg	Helena
Nebraska	L. E. Smith	Omaha
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John
New Hampshire	J. M. Dresser	Concord
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New South Wales	J. S. Miller	Sydney
New York	Charles H. Johnson	New York
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	Box 2001, Wellington, C.I.
North Carolina	John H. Anderson	Raleigh
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell.	Fargo
Nova Scotia	James C. Jones	Halifax
Ohio	H. S. Johnson	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	C. A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	D. Rufus Cheney	Portland
Para	F. T. DeAraujo	Belem, Para
Paraiba	A. de Almeida Simoes	Joas Pesson, Parahiba
Pennsylvania	M. Galt, Jr.	Philadelphia
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Prince Edward Island	L. A. McDougall	Box 112, Charlottetown
Quebec	W. W. Williamson	Montreal
Queensland	L. P. Marks	Box 675, Brisbane
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Rio de Janeiro	D. C. Trindade	Rua do Carmo, Rio de Janeiro
Scotland	W. King Gillies	Edinburgh
South Australia	R. Owen Fox	Adelaide
South Carolina	O. F. Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	W. H. Strutt	Hobart
Tennessee	T. E. Doss	Nashville
Texas	G. H. Belew	Waco
Utah	Sam H. Goodwin	Salt Lake City
Vermont	A. H. Grout	Burlington
Victoria	W. Stewart	Melbourne
Virginia	James M. Clift	Richmond
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
Western Australia	A. E. Jensen	Perth
West Virginia	I. W. Coffman.	Charleston
Wisconsin	William F. Weiler.	Milwaukee
Wyoming	I. E. Clark	Casper

LODGE DIRECTORY

Lodges marked with an (*) install on anniversary of St. John the Baptist. All other Lodges install on anniversary of St. John the Evangelist.

For location and date of meeting see District Directory following:

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
1	Kinistino	Wm. Graham	W. E. Bristowe	1
2	Wascana	H. Lamberton	H. Willsmer	2
3	Moose Jaw	L. F. Henderson	T. H. Pendlebury	3
4	Qu'Appelle Valley	F. N. Dunk	E. B. Saunders	4
5	Indian Head	J. R. Conn	P. R. Boone	4
6	*Qu'Appelle	S. Edgecumbe	J. F. Bell	4
7	*Moosomin	D. F. Reavie	Thos. Lawson	9
8	Ashlar	H. H. Hunt	J. G. Telford	9

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
9	Maple Leaf.	J. C. McAdam	A. Currie	11
10	Evening Star	J. W. Claxton	Wm. Thrower	9
11	N.W.M.P.	H. R. Gordon	Robt. A. Tate	2
12	Yorkton	F. S. Meyer	A. M. Ronald	10
13	Duck Lake	J. M. Urton	F. Anderson	1
14	*Sintaluta	R. M. Baker	E. B. Cumming	4
15	Amity	G. E. Burt-Gerrans	W. J. McGowan	8
16	Saskatchewan	C. G. Schmitt	F. E. Smith-Jones	5
17	*Carlyle	R. A. Robertson	Frank Mills	8
18	Melfort	C. H. Miner	J. Hatton	1
19	Battle.	W. A. MacNeill	G. L. Ward	7
20	Weyburn	B. S. Fleury	Geo. Lythgoe	6
21	*Arcola	T. A. Patterson	P. B. Thomson	8
22	Rosthern	C. H. Wilker	E. St. G. Hodson	1
23	Britannia	E. F. Knipe	S. M. Daly	7
24	*Wolseley	Wm. McClenagan	T. W. Tiller	4
25	Estevan	F. M. Gray	W. H. S. Glew	8
26	Swift Current.	Robt. Clements	C. Thoreson	11
27	Alameda	J. W. Sherwin	J. P. Gordon	8
28	Hanley	A. Brown	James Bird	5
29	*Heward	S. N. Horner	Fred Wiley	8
30	*New Hope.	D. A. Gilliland	H. I. Shaw	8
31	Ionic	W. L. Lidster	A. E. Blower	7
32	Golden Rule	J. R. Wood	H. W. Haylor	2
33	Davidson	Albert Jahnke	M. W. Coxworth	5
34	*Lang	J. H. Barmby	G. C. Wight	6
35	Prince Rupert	H. Diesbourg	D. H. Chivers	15
36	Bruce	J. H. Henley	K. H. Whitney	6
37	*Wapella	G. C. McFarlane	J. C. Tocher	9
38	Ekapo	A. Boyer	W. Wyllie	9
39	Boscurvis.	H. T. Pickard	A. L. Moir	8
40	Rouleau	E. A. Argue	H. S. Craig	2
41	Drinkwater	K. Coward	W. L. Woodger	2
42	Caron	W. H. Nutzhorn	W. F. Thomson	3
43	Ishpaming	W. Palmer.	E. S. Humphreys	5
44	Landmark	F. W. Bicknell	J. H. Moore	7
45	*Aurora	J. E. Hay	R. W. Mercer	10
46	*Strasbourg	J. J. Koch	C. H. Chapin	16
47	*Cupar.	E. B. Gibson	W. A. Fallis	4
48	Grayson	H. N. Clements	R. L. Penny	9
49	Assiniboia	P. F. Winters	L. G. Geernaert	2
50	*Golden Fleece	H. G. Frisby	C. H. Barlow.	6
51	Touchwood	E. J. Medland	C. G. Shooter	16
52	*Border	R. C. Smith	W. H. Coney	8
53	Nanatah	J. A. Stephens	T. M. Vaughan	4
54	*Buchanan			10
55	*Craik	J. W. Cook	E. H. Insull	2
56	*Elbow View	R. J. Green	N. Ganes	17
57	Prairie.	V. R. Hill.	G. U. McRae	13
58	King Solomon	F. Woodward	H. W. Pearce	10
59	*Canora	Wilfred Potter	H. Gleason	10
60	Imperial	V. L. Robertson	W. E. Winterton	5
61	*Rocanville	D. G. Shaw	R. G. Rook	9
62	Melville	J. E. Gibb.	C. B. Mutchler	10
63	Prince Albert	W. E. Cutt	W. O. L. Davies	1
64	Manitou	G. W. Cope	A. T. Turner	16

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65	*Outlook	I. I. Lewis	J. C. Carter	17
66	*Wynyard	J. S. Maneer	H. Gorick	15
67	*Eyebrow	J. M. Hainer	C. H. Birch	3
68	Govan	S. D. Guthrie	S. Rutherford.	16
69	*Carrot River	W. B. D. Frost.	R. J. Humphrey	1
70	Cypress	H. Gamble	R. H. Sweeting	11
71	Doric	H. F. M. Basing.	S. R. Stephens	3
72	Corinthian.	C. A. Smith	W. H. Kerr	2
73	*Unity	A. F. Watson	J. P. Fawcett	13
74	*Kilwinning	H. G. Topley.	A. M. Bell	13
75	*Harmony	William A. Porter.	W. W. Taylor	13
76	Tisdale	A. W. Shaw	G. M. Creed	1
77	*Abernethy	J. L. Coulthard	S. Lowe	4
78	Tugaske	J. Stoddart	T. W. Russell	3
79	*Foam Lake	C. M. Douglas	C. H. Burden	15
80	Connaught	W. C. Stewart	W. C. McArton	9
81	Tuscan	E. C. Hollis	B. W. Smith	16
82	*Victoria	M. Leach	B. L. Agate	12
83	*Meridian	S. G. Campbell	A. Mitchell	13
84	*Lanigan	Cecil E. Lewis	C. Stackhouse	15
85	*Zealandia.	Roderick MacRae	H. L. Morrison	12
86	Kindersley.	B. A. Urie	L. P. Kincaid	12
87	*Wadena	D. Guest	R. H. Nicholson	15
88	Briercrest	Wm. Clark	C. M. Jaques.	3
89	Twin City.	H. W. Robinson.	R. Horspool	5
90	*Kerrobert	M. F. Hanley.	A. K. Murdoch	13
91	*Rosetown	G. C. Wickett	N. B. Douglas	12
92	Lodge Progress	W. J. Young.	A. Turnbull	5
93	*Morse.	J. E. McFadyen	F. R. Bolin	11
94	*Maryfield	J. W. Lipsey	A. Lipsey	9
95	*Evergreen	O. S. Sugden	J. B. Wilson	5
96	Yellow Grass	Geo. Burge	P. C. Hill	6
97	*Radisson	A. J. Spence	A. M. Scott	7
98	*Union	O. H. Singleton	J. T. Goddard	16
99	*Goose Lake	S. U. Fair	Robt. Harvey	5
100	Biggar	J. E. Calvert	Frank Hopkins	13
101	Acacia	W. H. Lewis	J. Blankenship	16
102	*Invermay.	H. Bookhalter	A. E. Bergstrom	15
103	Composite	I. F. Hilts	Dan McPherson	9
104	King Hiram	Thos. Ellis	C. L. Smith	2
105	Gothic	H. V. Lambert	A. E. MacDonald	13
106	St. John's	J. C. McDougall	J. B. Smith.	14
107	*Mortlach	Alex Dunlop.	F. H. W. Kalo	3
108	Long Lake	C. E. Lock	J. J. Martin	16
109	*Limerick	Thos. Logan	H. J. Gordon	14
110	Shaunavon	N. A. Hall	F. G. Horsey	14
111	*Aneroid	W. S. McMillan	O. F. Schroeder.	14
112	*Woodrow	Cyril Baldwin	E. R. Ridgway	14
113	*Broderick	W. S. Thompson.	Jas. Gifford	17
114	*Central Butte			3
115	*Landis	A. Huxley	P. S. Weber	13
116	Ceylon	Robt. Shibley.	P. W. Westlake.	6
117	Dundurn	P. S. Hordern.	E. G. Edwards	5
118	*Paragon	Roy Sanders.	G. A. Weese	13
119	Cabri	F. S. Millard	H. Rimmer	11
120	*Ogema	C. R. Grainger	A. E. J. Hill	6

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist No.
121	*Simpson	Samuel Orr	S. J. Caught	16
122	Azure	R. T. Stewart	R. R. Blissett	14
123	*Lancer.	R. E. Armstrong.	J. W. A. Solley	11
124	Mount Hermon	Alex Haw	E. Housego.	11
125	Latomia	R. J. Dand	W. H. Hart	6
126	*Cadillac	Alex Laurie	T. H. Porter	14
127	*Birch Hills	G. H. C. Macdonnell	W. R. A. Orton	1
128	*Meyronne	H. F. Donaldson.	W. G. Conlan.	14
129	*Mossbank	Wm. J. Mitchell	C. C. Shattuck	3
130	Togo.	F. Allbright	F. E. Penniston	10
131	*Dinston	M. A. Steele	G. W. Mogan	17
132	*Conquest	C. Henderson	R. J. M. McNally	17
133	Philathea	R. J. Scott	L. L. Lymburner	16
134	*Eston	D. Steadward.	M. J. Willis	12
135	*Elrose.	C. E. Hunter	S. J. Atwell	12
136	St. George	H. R. Nickelson	T. W. McPhail	3
137	*Tyrian	H. L. Binns	David Marr	7
138	Kincaid	W. B. Crosier	C. Frostad	14
139	*Riverhurst.	Norris C. Rudd.	T. S. Parker	17
140	Sceptre.	E. J. Armstrong	H. M. Gracie.	11
141	Progressive	S. W. Knight.	D. A. Ketchin	11
142	*Leader.	J. A. Dowie	G. MacDonald.	11
143	*Hawarden	H. T. Kelly	E. A. Hudson	17
144	Victory	R. T. Blakeley	R. W. Lindsay	5
145	*Elfros	R. W. Campbell	J. Barber	15
146	*Asquith	Ben Hickman.	H. C. Matheson	5
147	*Elstow.	B. Carlton	P. J. Warner	5
148	*Dunblane	Fred Taylor	D. A. B. Cameron	17
149	Loverna	E. D. Goldsmith	W. H. Brown	13
150	*Wawota	G. B. Underhill	C. M. Pryce	9
151	Viscount	O. T. Lee	B. K. Lee	15
152	Star City	P. E. Rogers	J. N. Adams	1
154	Banner	W. J. Bourne.	W. G. Manchester	2
155	*Raymore	F. D. Ward.	J. Riddel	16
156	Avonlea	A. Ratner	A. T. Smith	3
157	*York.	H. Klein	E. Einarsson	10
158	Borden	T. A. Newsham	O. Brand	7
160	*Cut Knife	J. L. Brough	W. Wettlaufer	7
161	*Welwyn	N. E. Weaver	W. Bennett	9
162	Saltcoats	D. P. Morris	J. W. Kennedy	10
163	*Fillmore	S. A. Harry	L. Lockwood	8
164	Milestone	F. D. Whitell	M. R. VanVelzer	2
165	*St. Luke's	A. D. Gilroy	D. M. McIntosh	13
166	*Wakaw	H. M. Bigelow	C. D. Sutherland	1
167	*Preeceville	J. E. Paul	G. E. Hickling	10
168	*Earl Grey	J. M. Warren	Robt. Shaw	4
169	*Quill Lake.	W. H. Marchant.	W. L. MacKenzie	15
170	*Sharon	R. Dayman	D. S. Fraser.	3
171	*Shellbrook	A. F. Agnew	J. W. Payne	1
172	*Memorial	W. A. Playfair	R. Mayes	3
173	*Lakeview	R. Mooney	G. H. Johnson.	5
174	St. Andrew's	E. H. M. Knowles	T. Temple	2
175	Radville	F. A. Cousins	H. Watson	6
176	*Gray	R. L. Ketchin.	A. E. Staton	2
177	*Verwood	W. H. Stephen	W. S. Nevill.	14
178	*Norquay	J. Topham	E. Treasure	10

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Dist. No.
179	Kelvington	Thos. Glover	R. Thoms	15
180	*Herbert	W. R. Mott	Thos. J. Cook	11
181	*Tuberose	O. L. Johnson	I. H. Pittman	12
182	*Lonach.	A. T. McAuslan	S. M. Lavold	7
183	Nipawin.	W. Pace	W. C. Shearer	1
184	*Osage	A. L. Storey	J. W. Cooper	6
185	*Loyalty	W. A. Mitchell	J. Birse	7
186	*Emulation	J. S. Turnbull	W. A. Silverthorn	2
187	*Lucky Lake	Jas. A. Mason	H. C. Grose	17
188	*Glenedyth	Lorne Rooney	J. A. McGillivray	14
189	*Herschel	J. M. Ballentine	L. C. Edy	12
190	*Turtleford	Hugh Mackie	C. W. Reed	7
191	*Macrorie	L. Golumbia.	R. L. Maxfield	17
192	*Sovereign.	B. F. Piercy	J. E. Burt	17
193	*Mazenod	R. J. Cummer.	E. P. Line	3
194	*Vanguard	Matt Heron	C. R. Richards	14
195	Pleasantdale	P. A. Bennett	S. B. Shields	1
196	*Lacadena	J. G. Proud	S. W. Burt	12
197	*Chaplin	W. C. Aikins	W. R. Gunning	3
198	Colfax	C. J. Gilchrist	Wm. Innes	6
199	Admiral	G. P. Boyce	A. E. Nelson	14
200	*Hudson Bay	R. Jervis	G. C. Baisley.	10

DISTRICT DIRECTORY

District No. 1—D.D.G.M., J. R. T. Taylor, Birch Hills

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
1	Kinistino	Prince Albert	1st Friday
13	Duck Lake	Duck Lake	2nd Wednesday
18	Melfort	Melfort	Tuesday on or before
22	Rosthern	Rosthern	3rd Wednesday
63	Prince Albert	Prince Albert	2nd Friday
69	Carrot River	Kinistino	Monday on or before
76	Tisdale	Tisdale	Wednesday on or before
127	Birch Hills	Birch Hills	Second Tuesday
152	Star City	Star City	Thursday on or before
166	Wakaw	Wakaw	Monday on or after
171	Shellbrook	Shellbrook	1st Tuesday
183	Nipawin.	Nipawin.	2nd Thursday
195	Pleasantdale	Pleasantdale	Thursday on or after

District No. 2—D.D.G.M., F. A. Williamson, Regina

2	Wascana	Regina	1st Tuesday
11	N.W.M.P.	Regina	3rd Tuesday
32	Golden Rule	Pense	3rd Thursday
40	Rouleau	Rouleau	2nd Tuesday
41	Drinkwater	Drinkwater	Thursday on or before
49	Assiniboia	Regina	3rd Friday
55	Craik	Craik	Wednesday on or before
72	Corinthian.	Lumsden	Friday on or before
104	King Hiram	Regina	2nd Tuesday
154	Banner	Regina	3rd Monday
164	Milestone	Milestone	1st Thursday
174	St. Andrew's	Regina	3rd Wednesday

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
176	Gray	Gray	1st Tuesday
186	Emulation	Regina	4th Thursday

DISTRICT NO. 3—D.D.G.M.—WM. MATHESON, TUGASKE

3	Moose Jaw	Moose Jaw	2nd Tuesday
42	Caron	Caron	2nd Thursday
67	Eyebrow	Eyebrow	2nd Tuesday
71	Doric	Moose Jaw	1st Wednesday
78	Tugaske	Tugaske	Monday on or before
88	Briercrest	Briercrest	3rd Wednesday
107	Mortlach	Mortlach	Tuesday on or before
114	Central Butte	Central Butte	3rd Monday
129	Mossbank	Mossbank	Wednesday on or before
136	St. George	Moose Jaw	3rd Friday
156	Avonlea	Avonlea	2nd Thursday
170	Sharon	Bateman	Wednesday on or before
172	Memorial	Moose Jaw	2nd Thursday
193	Mazenod	Mazenod	Thursday on or after
197	Chaplin	Chaplin	2nd Monday

DISTRICT NO. 4—D.D.G.M., E. B. SAUNDERS, FORT QU'APPELLE

4	Qu'Appelle Valley	Fort Qu'Appelle	3rd Wednesday
5	Indian Head	Indian Head	Thursday on or before
6	Qu'Appelle	Qu'Appelle	Tuesday on or before
14	Sintaluta	Sintaluta	Tuesday on or before
24	Wolseley	Wolseley	3rd Wednesday
47	Cupar	Cupar	2nd Tuesday
53	Nanatah	Balcarres	2nd Monday
77	Abernethy	Abernethy	1st Thursday
168	Earl Grey	Earl Grey	Wednesday on or before

DISTRICT NO. 5—D.D.G.M., E. S. HUMPHREYS, LANGHAM

16	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon	1st Tuesday
28	Hanley	Hanley	Thursday on or before
33	Davidson	Davidson	Thursday on or before
43	Ishpaming	Langham	Wednesday on or before
60	Imperial	Saskatoon	2nd Wednesday
89	Twin City	Sutherland	2nd Monday
92	Lodge Progress	Saskatoon	1st Thursday
95	Evergreen	Harris	Wednesday on or before
99	Goose Lake	Delisle	Monday on or before
117	Dundurn	Dundurn	3rd Wednesday
144	Victory	Saskatoon	2nd Saturday
146	Asquith	Asquith	Friday on or before
147	Elstow	Elstow	Thursday on or before
173	Lakeview	Tessier	1st Wednesday

DISTRICT NO. 6—D.D.G.M., ARTHUR SHOTTER, FILLMORE

20	Weyburn	Weyburn	1st Monday
34	Lang	Lang	4th Tuesday
36	Bruce	Francis	1st Tuesday
50	Golden Fleece	Halbrite	Monday on or after
96	Yellow Grass	Yellow Grass	Wednesday on or before
116	Ceylon	Ceylon	2nd Wednesday
120	Ogema	Ogema	2nd Monday

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
125	Latomia	Weyburn	3rd Friday
175	Radville	Radville	2nd Thursday
184	Osage	Osage	3rd Wednesday
198	Colfax	Colfax	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 7—D.D.G.M., R. A. LESLIE, RADISSON

19	Battle.	Battleford	1st Thursday
23	Britannia	Lloydminster	Wednesday on or after
31	Ionic	North Battleford	2nd Friday
44	Landmark	Lashburn	Thursday on or before
97	Radisson	Radisson	Tuesday on or after
137	Tyrian	Edam	Tuesday on or before
158	Borden	Borden	Monday on or before
160	Cut Knife	Cut Knife	2nd Thursday
182	Lonach.	Marsden	*Monday on or before
185	Loyalty	Ruddell	Thursday on or before
190	Turtleford	Turtleford	2nd Thursday

*—Dec., Jan., Feb., March—Friday on or before.

DISTRICT No. 8—D.D.G.M., J. P. GORDON, ALAMEDA

15	Amity	Carnduff	2nd Thursday
17	Carlyle	Carlyle	3rd Monday
21	Arcola	Arcola	2nd Monday
25	Estevan	Estevan	3rd Friday
27	Alameda	Alameda	Tuesday on or before
29	Heward	Heward	Tuesday on or before
30	New Hope	Stoughton	1st Thursday
39	Boscurvis.	Oxbow	3rd Monday
52	Border	Gainsborough	Tuesday on or before
163	Fillmore	Fillmore	2nd Thursday

DISTRICT No. 9—D.D.G.M., W. R. CLARK, WINDTHORST

7	Moosomin	Moosomin	1st Wednesday
8	Ashlar	Whitewood	3rd Tuesday
10	Evening Star	Grenfell	Tuesday on or after
37	Wapella	Wapella	Thursday on or before
38	Ekapo	Broadview	2nd Wednesday
48	Grayson	Dubuc	Wednesday on or before
61	Rocanville	Rocanville	2nd Monday
80	Connaught	Windthorst	Tuesday on or before
94	Maryfield.	Maryfield	1st Tuesday
103	Composite	Kennedy	Thursday on or before
150	Wawota	Wawota	Wednesday on or before
161	Welwyn	Welwyn	Tuesday on or after

DISTRICT No. 10 -D.D.G.M., S. H. EDGAR, BUCHANAN

12	Yorkton	Yorkton	1st Friday
45	Aurora	Theodore	Wednesday on or before
54	Buchanan	Buchanan.	1st Tuesday
58	King Solomon	Kamsack	2nd Wednesday
59	Canora	Canora	4th Tuesday
62	Melville	Melville	4th Thursday
130	Togo.	Togo.	1st Wednesday
157	York.	Churchbridge	2nd Wednesday

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
162	Saltcoats	Saltcoats	Wednesday on or before
167	Preeceville	Preeceville	3rd Wednesday
178	Norquay	Norquay	Thursday on or before
200	Hudson Bay	Hudson Bay Junction	1st Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 11—D.D.G.M., HARRY LONG, LANCER

9	Maple Leaf.	Maple Creek	Thursday on or before
26	Swift Current.	Swift Current.	1st Tuesday
70	Cypress	Gull Lake	3rd Monday
93	Morse.	Morse.	1st Monday
119	Cabri	Cabri	1st Monday
123	Lancer	Lancer	2nd Tuesday
124	Mount Hermon	Pennant	Thursday on or before
140	Sceptre.	Sceptre	1st Tuesday
141	Progressive	Tompkins	Wednesday on or before
142	Leader	Leader	Monday on or before
180	Herbert	Herbert	3rd Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 12—D.D.G.M., W. MCDOUGALD, ROSETOWN

82	Victoria	Alsask	1st Tuesday
85	Zealandia.	Zealandia.	2nd Tuesday
86	Kindersley.	Kindersley.	1st Thursday
91	Rosetown	Rosetown	3rd Tuesday
134	Eston	Eston	4th Tuesday
135	Elrose.	Elrose.	3rd Monday
181	Tuberose	Tuberose	2nd Thursday
189	Herschel	Herschel	1st Monday
196	Lacadena	Lacadena	2nd Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 13—D.D.G.M., W. J. BOWIE, KELFIELD

57	Prairie	Wilkie	3rd Tuesday
73	Unity	Unity	2nd Wednesday
74	Kilwinning	Adanac	Thursday on or before
75	Harmony	Perdue	1st Thursday
83	Meridian	Macklin	Wednesday on or before
90	Kerrobert	Kerrobert	1st Monday
100	Biggar	Biggar	2nd Tuesday
105	Gothic	Luseland	2nd Monday
115	Landis	Landis	Wednesday on or before
118	Paragon	Kelfield	1st Tuesday
149	Loverna	Loverna	*3rd Monday
165	St. Luke's	Plenty	Tuesday on or before

*—December, January, February, March, April—Second Tuesday

DISTRICT NO. 14—D.D.G.M., J. C. CRAM, WOODROW

106	St. John's	Assiniboia	1st Wednesday
109	Limerick	Limerick.	Tuesday on or before
110	Shaunavon	Shaunavon	2nd Wednesday
111	Aneroid	Aneroid	2nd Thursday
112	Woodrow	Woodrow	1st Monday
122	Azure	Eastend	Thursday on or before
126	Cadillac	Cadillac.	3rd Wednesday
128	Meyronne	Meyronne	2nd Monday
138	Kincaid	Kincaid	1st Thursday
177	Verwood	Verwood	2nd Wednesday

No.	Lodge	Location	Night of Meeting
188	Glenedyth	Climax	2nd Thursday
194	Vanguard	Vanguard	3rd Monday
199	Admiral	Admiral	1st Wednesday
	DISTRICT NO. 15—D.D.G.M., J. YOUNG, WYNYARD		
35	Prince Rupert	Humboldt	2nd Friday
66	Wynyard	Wynyard	2nd Tuesday
79	Foam Lake	Foam Lake	1st Wednesday
84	Lanigan	Lanigan	2nd Thursday
87	Wadena	Wadena	Monday on or before
102	Invermay	Invermay	Tuesday on or before
145	Elfros	Elfros	Wednesday on or before
151	Viscount	Viscount	1st Tuesday
169	Quill Lake	Quill Lake	1st Thursday
179	Kelvington	Kelvington	Thursday on or before
	DISTRICT NO. 16—D.D.G.M., SAMUEL ORR, SIMPSON		
46	Strasbourg	Strasbourg	4th Monday
51	Touchwood	Punnichy	2nd Tuesday
64	Manitou	Watrous	3rd Thursday
68	Govan	Govan	1st Tuesday
81	Tuscan	Semans	Wednesday on or after
98	Union	Kelliher	3rd Monday
101	Acacia	Imperial	1st Thursday
108	Long Lake	Liberty	2nd Tuesday
121	Simpson	Simpson	Wednesday on or before
133	Philathea	Nokomis	1st Thursday
155	Raymore	Raymore	2nd Monday
	DISTRICT NO. 17—D.D.G.M., L. E. JONES, DINSMORE		
56	Elbow View	Elbow	Tuesday on or before
65	Outlook	Outlook	2nd Thursday
113	Broderick	Glenside	Friday on or before
131	Dinston	Dinsmore	1st Wednesday
132	Conquest	Conquest	3rd Wednesday
139	Riverhurst	Riverhurst	3rd Wednesday
143	Hawarden	Hawarden	Wednesday on or before
148	Dunblane	Dunblane	1st Monday
187	Lucky Lake	Lucky Lake	2nd Monday
191	Macrorie	Macrorie	Monday on or before
192	Sovereign	Sovereign	1st Tuesday

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR 1942

Dist. No.	Place of Meeting	Date
14	Kincaid	Thursday, July 2nd
11	Swift Current	Friday, July 3rd
1	Prince Albert	Monday, July 6th
7	North Battleford	Tuesday, July 7th
13	Kerrobert	Wednesday, July 8th
5	Saskatoon	Thursday, July 9th
12	Rosetown	Monday, July 13th
17	Outlook	Tuesday, July 14th
16	Watrous	Wednesday, July 15th
15	Lanigan	Thursday, July 16th
6	Weyburn	Monday, July 20th
3	Moose Jaw	Tuesday, July 21st

2	Regina	Wednesday, July 22nd
4	Fort Qu'Appelle	Friday, July 24th
8	Oxbow	Monday, July 27th
9	Whitewood	Tuesday, July 28th
10	Canora	Wednesday, July 29th

The programme for the meetings was as follows:

Afternoon Session:

2.00 p.m.—Board of Installed Masters.

2.30 p.m.—Opening District Meeting.

(a) Reception of Grand Officers.
(b) Exemplification Flag Ceremony.
(c) Reading Minutes: Reading report of D.D.G.M. for 1941-42.
(d) Exemplification of Funeral Ceremony.
(e) Forum discussion on:
1. Desirability of a monthly Masonic publication supported by subscription.
2. Extension of social activities at Lodge Meetings, District Meetings and at Grand Lodge Annual Communications.
3. Grand Master's War Relief Fund.

4.30 p.m.—Adjournment.

Evening Session:

7.30 p.m.—

(f) Flag Ceremony.
(g) Rededicatory exercises.
(h) Re-opening District Meeting.
(i) Address, Grand Secretary—"Freemasonry and Youth."
(j) Selection of D.D.G.M. (Written nominations to be filed with District Secretary by 8 p.m.)
(k) Address, Grand Master.
(l) Grand Lodge Officers retire.

10.00 p.m.—Closing.

FIFTY YEAR GOLD BUTTONS

Name of Brother	Year of Presentation	Lodge Membership when Presented	Particulars of Initiation: Year	Particulars of Initiation: Jurisdiction
C. O. Davidson	1939	Kinistino	1889	Manitoba
D. S. McCannell.	1939	Wascana	1887	Manitoba
W. O. Lott.	1940	Wascana	1889	Canada in Ontario
Harry Willsmer	1942	Wascana	1892	England
xG. M. Annable	1941	Moose Jaw	1883	Canada in Ontario
xArthur Atherton	1938	Qu'Appelle Valley	1886	Manitoba
E. W. Miller	1938	Qu'Appelle Valley	1888	Manitoba
xE. J. Brooks	1938	Indian Head	1881	Quebec
W. B. Tate	1942	Qu'Appelle	1891	Ireland
J. B. Melrose.	1943	Maple Leaf.	1893	Scotland
J. T. Peckett	1943	Maple Leaf.	1893	Canada in Ontario
F. W. Martin	1941	Maple Leaf.	1891	Canada in Ontario
R. B. Bennett	1942	Evening Star	1892	Manitoba

Name of Brother	Year of Presentation	Lodge Membership when Presented	Particulars of Initiation: Year	Particulars of Initiation: Jurisdiction
W. G. Haultain.	1942	N.W.M.P.	1890	Manitoba
xJ. H. Elliott.	1941	Amity	1890	Canada in Ontario
xAndrew Rutherford.	1938	Saskatchewan.	1888	Canada in Ontario
J. A. Smith	1942	Estevan	1892	Manitoba
J. T. Hart	1941	Golden Rule	1884	Nebraska
Stewart Mitchell	1938	Bruce	1882	Ireland
xRichard Beale	1940	Ekapo	1888	Manitoba
xH. H. Campkin.	1940	Assiniboia	1890	Manitoba
D. E. Spencer	1943	Assiniboia	1883	Michigan
W. T. Fallis	1939	Rocanville	1888	North Dakota
James Stoddart	1942	Tugaske	1891	Canada in Ontario
C. B. Smith	1940	King Hiram	1888	Michigan
A. L. Merrill	1940	King Hiram	1890	Canada in Ontario
Duncan McFarlane.	1940	Paragon	1872	Scotland
xRobert Anderson	1939	Ogema	1886	Ireland
Chas. A. Bush	1940	Ogema	1886	Illinois
Arthur Mack	1939	Viscount	1889	Manitoba
Arthur E. Staton	1943	Gray.	1893	Canada in Ontario

x—deceased.

HONOURARY MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN

Past Grand Master—

F. C. Falkenstein, Bottineau, N.D.	1927
G. Hunter, Deloraine, Man.	1930
W. Douglas, Winnipeg, Man.	1930
W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton, Ont.	1930
R. Burrit, Winnipeg, Man.	1935
M. M. Downey, Edmonton, Alta.	1935
A. J. Anderson, Toronto, Ont.	1936
H. Woods, Winnipeg, Man.	1936
W. J. Dunlop, Toronto, Ont.	1939
J. M. Charteris, Great Falls, Mont.	1939
G. F. Ellis, Calgary, Alta.	1941
S. H. Fahrni, Gladstone, Man.	1942
F. P. Galbraith, Red Deer, Alta.	1942
Charles Davidson, Great Falls, Mont.	1943
Karl J. Mohr, Rockford, Illinois	1943
R. J. Bradley, Edmonton, Alta.	1943

Past Deputy Grand Master—

J. J. Henderson, Miniota, Man.	1939
Samuel Burland, St. Vital, Man.	1943

Past Grand Secretary—

J. H. G. Russell, Winnipeg, Man.	1941

Past Grand Junior Warden—

W. R. Trench, Kelowna, B. C.	1927

Past Grand Junior Deacon—

W. E. Niblock, Victoria, B. C.	1938

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M.W. Bros. C. O. Davidson (2), W. B. Tate (6), J. McCauley (3), R. Young (1), N. B. Williams (77), G. M. Weir (60), J. W. MacNeill (19), G. Swain (60), W. J. Smith (110), W. M. Martin (2), J. K. Irwin (106), J. Orville Clarke (68), C. P. Moore (20), J. McGregor (60), F. B. Reilly (2), N. R. Craig (71), T. W. Sutherland (171), J. R. Yorke (136), J. W. Estey (16), M. Musk (63), A. O. Brooks (77), C. P. Seeley (60), D. Fraser (49), S. J. A. Branion (63); R.W. Bros. J. C. Carter (65), F. C. Hayes (26), W. L. Clink (19), A. C. Garner (154), Robt. A. Tate (11), T. H. Pendlebury (3).

Elected Members

Term Expiring 1944:—R.W. Bros. F. C. Wilson (163), A. G. Rawlinson (6), G. H. Hummel (133), W. O. Fraser (39); V.W. Bro. T. Guest (144).

Term Expiring 1945:—R.W. Bros. A. M. Bell (74), W. H. Moor (16), J. R. Young (144); V.W. Bro. E. C. Bird (174); W. Bro. H. Mackay (62).

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R.W. Bro. F. C. Hayes	Vice-President
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate	Secretary

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M.W. Bro. J. McGregor — M.W. Bro. C. P. Moore
M.W. Bro. J. W. MacNeill — M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin
M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate

Grievances and Appeals

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R.W. Bro. W. L. Clink — M.W. Bro. N. R. Craig
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R.W. Bro. T. H. Pendlebury — M.W. Bro. A. O. Brooks
R.W. Bro. A. M. Bell

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M.W. Bro. J. McGregor — M.W. Bro. W. M. Martin

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60. The Character Committee should be named in open Lodge. Proc. 1941.

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COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION

The Committee on Masonic Education is particularly pleased to be able to include a paper, specially prepared by the Grand Master himself, in the present year's programme of study, as well as the paper that will follow, "Freemasonry and Youth," which also is included at his special request.

Yours fraternally,
H. C. M. Brown, Chairman.

PROGRAMME 1942-43

October—"The Inner Guard."
November—"The Cause We Serve."
December—"Freemasonry and Youth."
January—"Why has Masonry Survived?"
February—"Charity."
March—"The History of Masonry in Saskatchewan."
April—"The Benevolent Fund."
May—"Masonry and the New World."
June—"The Five Points of F."

THE INNER GUARD

W. Bro. J. E. Campbell.

His duty? To admit.....on proof, receive.....in due form and obey the commands of the J.W. The sword is the instrument of his office.

Although tradition does not give to this office the same prominence that it gives to that of the Tyler, it is nevertheless one which demands of its holder urbanity, precision, and, above all, dignity. We are told that, in some of the Old English Lodges, the Inner Guards were so practised in articulation and cadence that it was a pleasure to listen to their announcements and responses at the door. It would seem that since the Inner Guard has very little to say, he should endeavour by careful practice to say it well. Too often we seem to hear "close tile" instead of "close tyled." Very seldom in this country are the final consonants pronounced distinctly. Later in this outline we shall discuss some of the announcements and responses of

the Inner Guard at the point of reception of the.....in the First Degree.

Mackey defines the I.G. as "An officer of a Lodge, according to the English system, whose functions correspond in some particulars with those of the Junior Deacon of the American Rite."

The duties of the I.G. are threefold:

(a) To admit.....on **proof.** This refers to the taking of the P.G. and P.W. of the Second and Third Degrees and G. of the First Degree on admission.

(b) To receive.....**in due form**—in the required formality, or according to the formal etiquette established in the Jurisdiction.

(c) To obey the commands of the J.W. He is responsible to the J.W., through whom he receives the commands from the Master.

The Inner Guard has a dignified and solemn duty to perform in receiving candidates. He, it is, who recites the essential qualifications of the candidate for Masonry. He should have a true understanding of these qualifications. They should be clearly enunciated because they form the framework on which we build. "The persons made Masons or admitted members of a Lodge must be good and true men; free born, and of mature and discreet age and sound judgment; no bondmen, no women, no immoral or scandalous men but of good report." (Everden, Ch. 10.)

The candidate must be a **man.** Tradition says he must be free born—not a slave. Slavery has died out in the civilized world. So the meaning of "free born" is left very much to the jurisdiction of the different Grand Lodges. Some say that "free born" means that a man shall be born in a state of wedlock. However, it seems best to consider it in its original meaning.

He must have reached the **age of discretion.** Full age means 21 years. However, our G.M. has discretionary power to issue dispensation for a man to be made a Mason under 21 years of age.

He must be **of good report.** That is, he must have a good name. He should have more than a good name. It is poor policy to make a Mason out of a man whose qualities are negative. There may be nothing against him but is there anything "for him?" To be of good report he must have good positive qualities. It is impossible to make good cornerstones out of soft rock. To build up the Craft we require strong and virile applicants.

The I.G. has the honoured privilege to recite before the Brethren assembled those essential qualifications which Lodges have demanded of candidates from ancient times. His part of the work is simple and direct. His work in the opening and closing is also simple but it should be correct in every detail. Again, since the I.G. vouches that the C. is properly prepared, it is his **responsibility** to see that there is no mistake or that nothing has been overlooked. It mars the Ceremony when the C. has to retire for proper preparation.

As the C. enters the Lodge after preparation, his mind is properly attuned. The I.G., whose duty is a solemn one, has created the atmosphere to properly prepare the C's mind for the reception of whatever benefits we are able to give him. First impressions are often lasting. Poor work by the I.G. spoils everything. How important it is for this Officer to perform his duties with understanding, with calm dignity and with due regard to every detail!

THE CAUSE WE SERVE

To the Worshipful Masters, Officers and Brethren of all constituent Lodges.

Brethren:

The successful prosecution of this total war involves all the activities of the entire Nation and demands the unreserved support of each and every individual citizen.

Freemasonry, therefore, as an Institution whose very existence is in jeopardy and Freemasons whose liberty is threatened should, nay must, be found in the very forefront of the conflict. Our material resources are and will continue to be in ever greater measure conscripted. But the enlistment of that greater spiritual ally, sometimes called morale, is essentially the voluntary fruit of a supreme conviction of the right and the justice of

"THE CAUSE WE SERVE"

While the recent invasion of our shores, both East and West, and the tragic assault at Dieppe, have brought home to many a realization that Canada is actually in this war, there are still far too many who as yet do not know for what we do battle and consequently are not wholeheartedly committed to serve and sacrifice supremely. Nor will they be until they are fully seized of the desperate situation in which civilization stands. "A good cause makes a stout heart and a strong arm." That Saskatchewan Freemasons may be fully informed and may in turn inform others, I direct the Lodges throughout this Grand Jurisdiction to devote their November meeting to a study of the Atlantic Charter and provide an opportunity for the personal rededication of the members to the great cause of preserving our democratic way of life for all peoples everywhere and for those who shall come after us.

I suggest the following as an appropriate programme.

1. Flag Ceremony (Opening exercises).
2. "O Canada" and "America."
3. Reading the Atlantic Charter (copy enclosed).
4. Address—"THE CAUSE WE SERVE." based on Churchill's broadcast (copy enclosed).
5. "Land of Hope and Glory." "Flanders Fields." "The Recessional."
6. Prayer for victory and peace (enclosed).
7. Pledge of Rededication (enclosed).
8. Reading names of casualties from district tributary to your Lodge.
9. Stand in silence to honour the memory of Canada's glorious dead.
10. Flag Ceremony (Closing exercises).

I require all Worshipful Masters to arrange and hold such meeting and thereafter to report thereon to myself, care of the Grand Lodge office.

"This is a cause to be fought, not pleaded."

Fraternally yours,

DOUGLAS FRASER, Grand Master.

FREEMASONRY AND YOUTH

The ideals, hopes and aspirations of a free people are concisely set forth in the Atlantic Charter. Our Youth have been called upon to forego the joys and comforts of peace for the suffering and hardships of war—for many it means the supreme sacrifice.

In accepting Youth's sacrifices we must also accept our corresponding responsibilties.

Let us as good Craftsmen appreciate the place and value of good will and fraternal relationships during and after the termination of hostilities Start now by giving to each member the name of one of the service or one about to be called. Cultivate his friendship and that of his family. Send him letters with home news; arrange for some small comforts to go forward; when he is moved see that he is contacted at his new station.

Much is a repetition of the last war upon a larger and more mechanized basis. After that war we were so happy and so glad it was all over that we forgot the reason and the purpose of the war and carelessly concluded it had been "a war to end wars." The problems of rehabilitation and possibility of an enduring peace were upon us. Our efforts, well intended, were not well directed. We had not thought the problems through and confusion resulted We did not achieve what ought to have been the result of such a victory.

As our boys come back they have a right to expect that we will receive them as brothers and co-operate with them in a programme flexible enough to receive their views and with them enter upon a grand effort to achieve for all the joys, comforts and opportunities in a society that recognizes individual tastes, aptitudes and ambitions and where the social and economic welfare of all may be the ideal toward which we shall go forward.

Our first duty is our war effort. Every one of us must make our maximum contribution. Thereafter we have this other great opportunity—with respect to the period of rehabilitation. If we fail to grasp its significance and apply ourselves effectively we shall be remiss in a plain and simple, but all important, duty to our splendid and courageous boys who are fighting, on sea, on land and in the air, to preserve life and liberty for us.

Every one of us should feel that we have a part to play and go out and play that part with determination and confidence. We just cannot repeat the mistakes of the past but we can profit by them. Our Youth will win the physical conflict and make peace and happiness possible. WE MUST MAKE IT A REALITY.

The following is suggested as an appropriate programme:

1. Placing enclosed descriptive picture in prominent and permanent place in Lodge room.
2. Report of activities of Lodge War Services Committee.
3. Reading names of all from district serving in His Majesty's Forces. (In urban and larger centres only the names of members and sons and daughters of members. In smaller centres the names of all from the district).
4. Address—"DUTY, HONOUR, AND GRATITUDE."
5. Reading underlined extracts from enclosed material.

6. Discussion of Post-War Youth Rehabilitation.
7. Adoption of recommendations to be forwarded to Grand Lodge Committee on Freemasonry and Youth.

GRAND MASTER'S COMMITTEE ON FREEMASONRY AND YOUTH.

WHY HAS MASONRY SURVIVED

W. Bro. M. R. Ballard.
Bro. J. H. Morrow.

A casual and reflective glance at this topic cannot help but lead one to the preliminary assumption that the enduring nature of Masonry has been due in no small degree to its attachment to and association with an art that lends itself to gorgeous and magnificent display and ever incites the wonder and admiration of generation on generation. Reference is, of course, to the profession of operative Masonry. How often is heard in reference to some architectural triumph, such as the Athenian Parthenon, the Indian Taj Mahal or the Medieval Cathedral, the expression "an inspiration in stone!" Immediately there comes to the mind of the philosopher viewing such beauty a reminder of the existence of a Supreme Being who made possible the inspiration. To the mind of the more utilitarian arises the image of the tools which fashioned the inspiration into something concrete and tangible. It is because Masonry has something embodied in it to satisfy the philosophic and the practical that its survival is assured.

How ancient and pregnant with the lore of antiquity these tools of Masonry are! Having existed for ages, as shown by recent discoveries of the Cretan civilization when soft metals like copper were used, these tools are still serving a most useful purpose in the practical art. The great philosophies of ancient civilizations like those of India and China used the same tools, the square, compasses and others, as symbols of morality. There is no doubt, therefore, that the mellowness developed by age has its influence in demanding the respect of humanity.

Though it had always been the custom of the Medieval Guilds to "spiritualize their trades" or to attach to the tools of their trade some simple moral, much gratitude is due to the English leaders of Masonry in the early Eighteenth Century. For then it was that men like Payne, Desgauliers, Anderson, Preston and others, had the foresight to open the Operative Lodges to non-operative members and so made possbile the bringing of Speculative Masonry to full fruition. A symbolism was thus attached to tools which had been for generations making life so aesthetic, so inspirational and so worthwhile. To the tools of no other trade has such a philosophy of life been attached. May it not be claimed, therefore, that this had much to do with its survival?

Ritualism ever has its devotees and that of Masonry is no exception. The creators of Masonic ritual have no doubt built as securely as did the translators of the King James' version of the Bible, which will last till the lovers of our "sweet English tongue" are no more. Attention might be drawn to a number of impressive sections in the Ceremonies to illustrate. They are numerous and all a Mason has to do is to focus his attention on his reactions to the beautiful examples of allegory contained therein. This ritual has evidence of the polish of frequent use and of the mellowness of age. It has frequently under-

gone competent and intelligent revision and will continue to do so as its custodians see fit. The fact that the Ceremonies are more or less stable has its appeal. One knows what to expect and awkward delays are avoided. This adds dignity to this phase of Masonry.

The principles of fraternity, charity, morality, justice, mercy and others which every Mason knows, have provided most useful activities for the energies of Masonic adherents. Masonry offers ample opportunities to bask in the glow of achievement which comes from doing something for ones fellowman. But if this were all Masonry stood for, it would not be doing more than many other organizations which practice the same principles. This leads one to that intangible aspect to which Masonry owes its survival more than anything else. This is its philosophy of life.

Masonry is above all a system of "religious philosophy" in that it provides one with a doctrine of the universe and one's place in it. It tells one that the "Kingdom of Heaven is within us." It teaches one "to seek the truth which shall make one free." That truth recognizes the fact that man in his "perfect natural state is inherently and radically imperfect." The man must be made conscious of this and is made so by the teachings of the three degrees. He is made into "an efficient instrument for use by the Great Architect in His plan for rebuilding the Temple of fallen humanity."

Masonry teaches that humanity is the real temple which requires continuous repair, reconstruction and remodelling. It holds out the great promise that with divine assistance and one's own endeavours, supported by patience and perseverance, one may become worthy of becoming a perfect pillar of perfected humanity. The temple of human nature is unfinished for each generation. The lack of some clear and guiding principle in the World's life would result in utter confusion. Masonry directs attention to the necessity of dependence on a Supreme Wisdom. Masonry's example of such catastrophe is the death of the Master Builder.

Masonry has survived because its adherents have accepted its challenge, that of spiritual growth. Everyone has a certain measure of sporting instinct within him, hence the acceptance of the challenge, which acknowledges the dignity of the human being first and foremost. Man does want to know himself which is really "That which was lost." By knowing himself, the Mason has learned the secrets, which are nothing more than the conscious realization of his divine potentialities. Realizing this, he with confidence goes forward to develop them, not for selfish reasons but for the good of mankind. Masonry wants each person developed potentially for the potential development of humanity-at-large. Therein rests its continued existence. Life is not easier, for there will still be no "royal road to learning" but it is more worthwhile. The individual counts for something so that Shakespeare's description of man takes on new significance when he says, "What a piece of work is man, how infinite in faculty, how noble in reason; in action how like an angel; the beauty of the world; the paragon of animals." And yet disagree with his character Hamlet when he has him say, "and yet to me, what is the quintessence of dust? Man delights not me."

Questions for discussion:

1. Can you suggest from personal experience other reasons why you think Masonry has survived, and will it continue?

2. Do you consider that Masonry's continued survival in the future will depend upon similar reasons as those given above or will they be entirely different?

CHARITY

W. Bro. H. C. M. Brown

Charity—that virtue which may justly be denominated as the distinguishing characteristic of a M.....heart.

The Candidate has progressed in the Ceremony to that point where he is placed in the N.E.A. of the Lodge.

Here he stands to all **external** appearances a Mason, but as we are elsewhere reminded, it is the **internal** qualities of the man which Masonry regards as important. Hence the need for putting to the Candidate the question which will determine his charitable instinct. Under the stress of the particular moment, it would indeed be only the supremely selfish who could do otherwise than affirm his willingness to exercise that Virtue, and so the ceremony proceeds with the explanathat the test was, as to this particular object, twofold:—first, to test his willingness and secondly, to create a memory that will serve as a guide to future conduct, should he meet a brother in a state of distressful destitution.

The Lecturer reminds us that there are those who are fading into the sear and yellow leaf of old age, and those upon whom the hand of calamity and misfortune has fallen heavily: to succour these to the limit of our ability is the duty of each of us. A duty which arises out of the profession we make so early in our Masonic life to help those less fortunate than ourselves. "Words without deeds" are of little consequence. Are we content to say to ourselves that the contribution we make, involuntarily, to the Benevolent Fund fully satisfies our charitable obligation? That never was the intention of those responsible for creating that fund. The quality of Charity, like its sister, Mercy, should know no bounds, save those of prudence. "A gift without the giver is bare" of that essence of charitable giving—sympathy.

It is of interest to note that it is in the first phase of Masonic progress that the Candidate is made acquainted with the essential nature of this distinguishing mark. "Indeed I shall **immediately** put your principles to the test." What is the significance of "immediately?" The Candidate has just been adjured by the Lecturer in these words "upon the foundations laid this evening may you raise a superscructure perfect—and honourable—." And **immediately** his attention is directed to the excellency of this virtue. What better conception of the fundamentals of Masonry can we use as a basis upon which to build? What is charity but the sum total of those fundamental principles of the Craft, i.e., Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, put into active operation?

At a later point, in the Lecture of the E.A.D., reference is again made to this essential quality. The final stave or round on the mystical ladder connecting Heaven and Earth is denoted as Charity. Charity in its most ample sense! And the Mason who is in possession of this virtue has arrived at the Summit, he now comprehends the whole, sees the full realization of the purpose of Masonic teaching. The full life, in its truest sense, is the one devoted to the service of fellow man. The Secrets which have been lost will undoubtedly be revealed from that

vantage point. "Faith, Hope and Charity—but the greatest of these is **Charity."**

Our symbolic representation of Masonic life as being a Temple, is familiar to us all. Our constant hope and supplication is that the G.A.O.T.U. will continue to preserve our Temple "by cementing and adorning it with . . . social and moral virtue." That cohesive element which cements and binds individual Masons into a mighty force is charitable regard, one for the other, or Brotherly Love. If our building is unstable and unworthy, is it because of the quality of the "cement?"

How can we apply these thoughts to our daily life? As we tread the checkered Mosaic pavement today we may find our feet in "flowery meads" while our brother may totter on the uncertain path. Can we not stretch out a helping hand to stay our brother's fall? Can we "pass by on the other side" without the memory of our own "poor and penniless" state pricking our conscience? Not if we are truly Masons! Not if they are truly our Brothers! Not if our "hearts beat warm for friendship." For the essential characteristic of a M..... heart is Charity. And when we are possessed of this virtue in its fullest sense we can appreciate that the chief object of F.. ..... is to be happy ourselves, and to communicate that happiness to others. Charity, like Mercy, blesses him who gives as well as him who receives.

Subjects for discussion:

What is the Masonic definition of the word "Charity?"

Would "freedom from want," if achieved in society, do away with Masonic Charity?

What is the practical application of the subject "Charity" to human relationships other than "distress" as taught by the remaining four Ps. of F.?

THE HISTORY OF SASKATCHEWAN FREEMASONRY

R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate.

The story of the establishment and growth of Masonry in Saskatchewan is a fascinating epic interwoven with the pioneer initiative of our early settlers—a story of a great work—a record of an ever growing influence for the development of the best type of Canadian citizenship.

Our Kinistino Lodge at Prince Albert was the first Lodge formed in that part of the North West Territories now known as Saskatchewan. This important event in our Masonic history took place in the year 1879, almost sixty-five years ago. At that time Prince Albert was an isolated settlement having no rail connection with the rest of the world and wholly dependent for contact with the outside on ox or pony cart or stage to Winnipeg, some 700 miles distant. It must also be remembered that telephones, electric lights, motor cars, radios and countless other modern conveniences were then unknown. Under those primitive conditions it took courage, an unbounded faith in the future and a true love of the Masonic Institution to undertake the formation of a Lodge. This first Lodge was formed in 1879 but because of an internal dispute at that time existing in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, our Prince Albert Brethren decided to apply to the Grand Lodge in Ontario for a Dispensation. This was granted on May 22nd, 1879, but because of transportation difficulties, and resulting delays in re-

ceipt of mails, it was not until October 13th, 1879, that everything was in order and the Lodge finally instituted. The Lodge was called Kinistino Lodge and numbered 381 on the register of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. Wise counsels prevailing and harmony being restored in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba our Prince Albert Brethren decided to transfer their allegiance to the latter Grand Lodge and on April 21st, 1882, Kinistino Lodge held its last meeting as a constituent of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario and on November 3rd, 1882, held its first meeting under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. Thus was merged the territory now known as Saskatchewan into the Jurisdiction of our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba. The Lodge on transfer was known as Kinistino Lodge No. 16 on the Grand Register of Manitoba and when the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was formed was, in recognition of its seniority, given the number one on our Grand Register. So much for the genesis of Masonry in this Jurisdiction.

Wascana Lodge at Regina was instituted on March 6th, 1882, becoming No. 23 G.R. Manitoba, and later No. 2 G.R. Saskatchewan and this month will celebrate its diamond jubilee.

On October 9th, 1883, Moose Jaw Lodge was instituted as No. 26, G.R. Manitoba.

In the year 1886 Lodges were instituted at Fort Qu'Appelle, Indian Head, Qu'Appelle and Moosomin. The Lodge at Fort Qu'Appelle has a particularly interesting history in consequence of the fact that a number of its members were associated with the old Hudson Bay Trading Post at that point and the territory from which the Lodge drew its membership extended north of the Qu'Appelle Valley as far as 80 miles.

Then we had the Lodges at Whitewood in 1890, Maple Creek and Grenfell in 1893.

In October 1894 North West Mounted Police Lodge was formed at Regina and has the distinction of being the only purely military Lodge ever formed in this territory. The Lodge was formed by members of the North West Mounted Police Force who were stationed at headquarters in Regina and membership in the Force was a pre-requisite to membership in the Lodge. There were 14 Charter Members, of whom six were later posted in the Yukon, six fought for Queen and Country in South Africa and two served both in the Yukon and South Africa. The first 57 members of the Lodge were all members of the Force and doubtless carried the teachings of Masonry to the far-flung outposts of our country. The interest of those early members in their Lodge is evidenced by the fact that the ashlars were hand cut; the altar and pedestals were hand made and the E. of M. were brought down from the far north. All these items of Lodge furniture are still in use in the Temple at Regina. The response of members to the demands of duty to maintain the law in the Gold Rush days in the Yukon and to serve the Empire's cause in South Africa, so depleted the resident membership that it became impossible to hold Lodge meetings. Being thus faced with the possibility of having to surrender their Charter, the Brethren decided to amend it to permit civilians to become members. This step averted the danger and since that time the Lodge has been open to both civilians and members of the Force.

Lodges were subsequently formed, in the order named, at Yorkton, Duck Lake, Sintaluta, Carnduff, Saskatoon, Carlyle, Melfort, Battleford, Weyburn, Arcola, Rosthern, Lloydminster and Wolseley, bringing

to 24 the total number of Chartered Lodges in 1905, in which year the Province of Saskatchewan was formed. In the following year steps were taken to form a Grand Lodge composed of the 24 existing Lodges and five Lodges U.D., namely, Estevan, Swift Current, Alameda, Hanley and Heward. The new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was formed on August 9th, 1906, with these 29 Lodges, having a membership of 900 approximately.

Such in brief, is the chronological history of Masonry in Saskatchewan up to the formation of our Grand Lodge. The individual story of each Lodge would provide many items of entertaining and historic interest. The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic History is patiently collecting this material and source information and Lodges would do well to co-operate in this very worthwhile work in order that, in the not too distant future, an extended history may be produced. One characteristic common to all these Lodges and which will give such history a unique flavour is to be found in the quality and varying types of the founders—homesteaders, fur traders, members of the North West Mounted Police, and typical pioneer spirits from near and far.

Since its formation in 1906 the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan has grown to 198 Lodges with over 12,000 members. Our Benevolent Fund has been built up to a capital sum of almost $400,000 and for the relief of suffering and distress amongst Master Masons, their widows and orphans, there has been disbursed from earnings approximately $250,000.00. This disbursement is of course in addition to the unrecorded amounts contributed by the Lodges in these and other cases and which in the aggregate totals a very substantial sum. All this material aid is however secondary to our truest Masonic charity—the encouraging word, the kindly sympathy and the unpublished acts of helpfulness of Brother to Brother.

Our Grand Lodge has given progressive leadership in Masonic education, work recognized as outstanding by Grand Lodges throughout the Masonic world. It is also developing an enviable record for leadership in War services activities. In this connection a condensed outline of this enterprise will be found in the first issue of our Saskatchewan Masonic publication "The Tracing Board," which will go to all Brethren with their March notice of meeting.

Discuss the establishment of the new monthly publication "The Tracing Board" as an important forward step in the history of Saskatchewan Freemasonry.

BENEVOLENT FUND NIGHT

Refer to 1942 Proc., P.141-143, and more particularly the following:

1. No. 10 (a). Have some Brother deliver this lecture which forms part of the ceremony in the N.E. Angle of the Lodge during a candidate's initiation. The Brother who delivers it should then, in his own way, call attention to the fact that this is the first occasion on which a Mason's individual responsibility toward his less fortunate Brother is brought definitely to his attention. This should be followed by a general discussion as to just what this responsibility is.

2. No. 10 (b). Some other Brother should be prepared to answer the question set out in this item. He should be prepared also to demonstrate the f.p.o.f. and thereafter explain to the Lodge just what he understands the third of these to mean.

3. No. 10 (c), (d), (e), (f). Open discussions based on these respective items.

Charity—Benevolence. "But the greatest of these is Charity." How often have we heard this phrase—in our Lodge and elsewhere! Have a member read I Cor. 13, Verses, 1 to 7.

Other quotations might be read as well, including the following: "With malice toward none, with charity to all, with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in; to bind up the Nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan —to do all which may achieve and cherish a just cause and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations."—Lincoln, 'Second Inaugural address' March 4, 1865

Masonry, we are told, is not a charitable Institution —that it is not a society organized for the giving of alms, although there is a growing belief that many people outside, and many inside our Fraternity, think it is. In view of what Masonry has done and is doing for its aged and infirm, its destitute, its widows and its orphans, is it a "Charitable Institution?"

Study the various interpretations of the words "Charity" and "Benevolence." Are these terms interchangeable? Might the Grand Lodge "Benevolent Fund" be appropriately called "Charitable Fund?" If not, why not?

Refer again to Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address quoted above and in the light of his admonitions, discuss what the relationship between our Benevolent Fund and the programme "Freemasonry and Youth," being developed throughout Saskatchewan, ought to be. Does the said programme not "open the way" to a wider field of endeavour and usefulness? Your Trustees believe it does.

N. B. WILLIAMS, President,
Board of Trustees.

MASONRY AND THE NEW WORLD

By R.W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion.

In our volume of the Sacred Law, at the very beginning of it, the Almighty is represented as asking of man two questions. One is, "Where Art Thou?" and the other is "Where Is Thy Brother?" These are two questions which embrace the whole circle of Masonic duty. Let us consider them, one at a time, and together.

"Where Art Thou?" This question asks where you are in respect to many things. Are you just where you were a year ago, or two years ago or when you became a Mason? Is Masonry a progressive science for you? These are times when men must be learning or falling far behind. The world is moving mechanically, militarily, socially and religiously. Where are you? Are you in the place where we can find officers for the Lodge, or leaders in community enterprises or people who can explain difficulties which are stalling others in their daily lives? Are you growing or just static? Education is not for young people alone. It is for everyone who is willing to learn and will take the trouble to learn. Where Art Thou?

"Where Is Thy Brother?" This is a more advanced question. In the story from which it is taken the answer was, in effect, "I do not know. I am not responsible for him. Surely he can look after himself!" But Cain was not a Mason. You are. Where is **your** brother? Perhaps he is overseas. Are you writing him cheery letters, and making sure that his family in your neighborhood is getting along well? Is your brother

having sickness in his home and are you proving yourself a true brother? Is your brother more prosperous than he has ever been before and becoming a bit reckless in his behaviour or expenditures, and have you the courage to give him the needed restraining or strengthening word? Where is thy brother?

"Where Art Thou?" is a great question. Happy is the Mason who can respond, "I am in my best place, so far. I have more knowledge of myself and of world affairs. I am stronger in spirit. I have more skill in helping others. I am a better Mason. I am a better citizen than I was when—well, better than I ever was before.

"Where Is Thy Brother?" A still greater question this is. Happy is the Mason who can say, "I know where my brother is. I keep in touch with him. I have been able to encourage him a bit Because of my own reading and study I have been able to explain one or two things a bit helpfully for him, and he has helped me too. Oh, yes, he and I are both making progress in knowing things and in learning and practising what is worthwhile."

The man who being a Mason (or not being a Mason) knows where he is and that it is worthwhile being in that very place; who knows that he and some of his neighbors have grasped the idea of a New World of justice, peace, and brotherhood; who has fitted himself to express it—that man is the man who is today's indispensable citizen. Millions like him are the only possible foundation for a World Peace.

That is why Masons ought to be reading and thinking, studying and planning, and doing among their fellows, day by day, now. Some other time, or even soon, will be too late. Courage, brethren! Courage, study and action? Grim courage like that expressed by A. E. Housman:

"The thoughts of others were light and fleeting—
Of lovers meeting, or luck or fame;
Mine were of trouble and mine were steady,
So I was ready when trouble came."

THE FIVE POINTS OF FELLOWSHIP

By Bro. G. H Glover

In the First Degree the admonition is general and can be summed up in the word "Charity," the outward act of helping one in need. In the Second Degree this is enlarged and systematized to the idea of "Equality"—justness and uprightness of life and action. The inner motive of "Intentions" denotes progress in the Masonic Life. In the Third Degree this instruction is completely systematized in the "Five Points of Fellowship." You will note that they are given three times and exemplified as the fundamental teachings of this degree under the five headings. So we briefly review these point by point.

In the first is the promise of Friendship and Brotherhood. There is no hostility or secret plotting but a pledge of brotherly interest and concern. It is a declaration that your Brother can count on you. There is a special understanding. How does this work out in practical life? It is a bond of Brotherhood that should make all members especially understanding and helpful. The helping hand should be real and when the warmth of the handshake is felt it should say "Brother, you can count on me."

The second signifies physical support. In the past it was frequently real. In earlier days men really were of help to their brothers in time of physical attack. Today the strong can still support the weak in physical and

other ways. No doubt it is happening in many ways on the battlefields and in the camps of the world. Where two can overcome, there help should be given. In our type of society today even the willingness to thus assist has in many cases become mere words. Where added strength can help or save a brother in danger, it is our duty to give it. Where would Britain be today without the added strength of the Allies?

The third is fundamental and according to the Faith we confessed before entering. God, His power and His activity, is a part of our Masonic life. It signifies our daily contact with the centre of the universe. But the Mason will seek to fulfil his part—"shall remind me of his wants and dispose my heart to sooth his afflictions and relieve his necessities." That is, I must really sympathise, really think of him and really seek to relieve his wants. How can this be done? By our individual assistance we can frequently help, but more often through the organized activities of the Lodge or through the Benevolent Fund. Once a Lodge, local or Grand Jurisdiction, is seized with this thought it will seek to handle this matter in a fair and comprehensive manner so that none will be neglected and yet the funds be conserved.

The fourth implies a special understanding in a world of selfishness, Brotherhood. My Brother's cares and secrets will be mine in sacred confidence if he wishes to share them with me. There is no betrayal. But, of course, it does not include guilty secrets should these occur. It implies the great problems and difficulties of life common to man's experiences where Brotherhood and assistance are needed. It is the spiritual assistance of understanding and moral backing.

The fifth is the Inner sense of Honour. On the positive side "I shall uphold his good name." I shall speak in his favour. I shall act for him in his absence as I would in his presence. I shall put myself in his place and I shall defend him and uphold his name and cause. On the other hand, I shall not allow, nor permit, nor listen to, a brother's name or character being reviled any more than I would to my own name being so maligned.

So, in the **five points** there is included the ground for Masonic and brotherly sharing to the full in a mutual bond of fellowship and support. If this is carried out in spirit and act then the Masonic Tie is real and unbreakable. The Inner bond is complete. If it is mere words then it is less than nothing—a mere promise which if depended upon leaves you worse than before. But if such an obligation is real then no power on earth can dissolve or make void. It is the unbreakable Masonic Tie, and "Blessed be the Tie that Binds."

Report of Committee on Foreign Correspondence

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presents herewith a review of the Proceedings of 60 Jurisdictions, all which had come to hand on June 1st, 1943.

The sudden tragic death of The Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, while engaged in duty with the Royal Air Force was a blow to the peoples of the United Nations and to Masons throughout the world. His sterling qualities had endeared him to people everywhere. The affectionate sympathy of many Grand Lodges was extended to the members of his family and to The United Grand Lodge of England.

Losses in membership still continue but on a much smaller scale than in previous years. According to J. Edward Allen, the Foreign Corres-

pondent for the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, on the basis of figures available on April 1st, 1942, the percentage of losses in Lodges throughout the United States was .58; thirty-four States reported losses and fourteen reported gains. In Canada the percentage of loss, which for some time paralleled the loss in the United States, has decreased to .014 as compared with .58 in the United States. The United Grand Lodge of England continues to increase in number of Lodges and in membership and several Australian Grand Lodges report gains.

The future of Masonry in the European countries which has been suppressed by the dictators is a matter of concern to Masons throughout the world. There is now no doubt that immediately after the occupation of the occupied countries Masonry was put under the ban, the property of Lodges was confiscated and many leading Masons were arrested, placed in concentration camps and exiled; in many cases their property was confiscated and many of them sought refuge in America, Australia and New Zealand where aid was accorded to them through the benevolence of the Masonic Order.

One might well inquire, why this suppression by the dictators? The reason no doubt is that Masonry is a democratic institution; it emphasizes the dignity of the individual and believes that governments exist to protect the rights of man—the right of every man to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Masonic history teaches us that from the earliest days Masons believed in equality and the freedom of man. The question has often been asked why the Fraternity has lived and prospered through the centuries. There is no doubt that in part at least the reason is that a wonderful story has been written into an unsurpassed ritual and as a result men of all ranks in life have been attracted to membership; lords and nobles, ministers and lawyers, professors and physicians and men of all trades seek membership and are admitted without regard to social position if they meet the requirements of character and industry. Among Masons all men are equal just as in democratic countries all men are equal before the law.

Today the peoples of the world are engaged in the greatest war of all history, a war in which two diametrically opposed ways of life struggle for mastery. On the one side we find the totalitarian powers which are founded upon the doctrine that man was made for the State and not the State for man; in the countries controlled by these powers man is only "a dust particle in the order of force." On the other side are ranged the nations where the government is of the people and by the people and where freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly and freedom of religion are the rights of all men. These freedoms beginning with Magna Carta grew up in England through the centuries, and in 1791 were written into the American Constitution by amendment. They were recently referred to by President Roosevelt as "The American Bill of Rights, the Charter of Human Liberty."

One cannot help being impressed by the efforts being made in practically every jurisdiction to serve the men in the armed forces. In the United States most of the Jurisdictions are availing themselves of the facilities of the Masonic Service Association because they favour a united effort in carrying out a definite program which consists of establishing Masonic centres in the vicinity of army camps. Some jurisdictions however prefer to develop and carry out their own programs. All jurisdictions in Canada and the United States are making some patriotic contribution and the aggregate of the assistance being given is very large. In this war Masonry is doing its part.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. MARTIN, Chairman.

ALABAMA

122nd Annual Communication at Montgomery, December 1st and 2nd, 1942. Grand Master George U. Potter. Lodges 409. Members 29,822. Gain 1931. Four Past Grand Masters attended and 211 Lodges were represented. 45 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Joseph E. Pruett. The Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Alabama to their respective Jurisdictions.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing on January 23rd, 1942, of M. W. Bro. Walter Smith, who was Grand Master in 1916-17. The proceedings contain a tribute to the life and work of this distinguished brother.

The Board of Control endeavoured throughout the year to effect a reduction in the cost of the operation of the Masonic Home but with the advance in food cost it was extremely difficult to make any great showing over the previous year. The Grand Master made an effort to have the Lodges furnish produce from their respective localities as a material aid to operation costs. While a number of the Lodges responded results were not what the Grand Master anticipated. The cost of maintenance in 1942 was $38,291, while in 1941 it was $35,649. The receipts for 1942 were however in excess of 1941 by a sum exceeding $12,000. The Grand Master paid tribute to the assistance given to the Masonic Home by the Order of the Eastern Star.

This Grand Lodge publishes a monthly, "The Masonic World" which has just entered the tenth year of publication. It is the only publication in the State which gives Masons information on various activities of Masonic organizations throughout the world. The Grand Master stated that it was performing an invaluable service and he thinks it should be read by every Mason in Alabama.

The Grand Master spent a busy year. He visited every Lodge which he had not visited in his previous year of office. He endeavoured on his visits to inform the members of the business of Grand Lodge. He reported a healthier condition than for many years past. By reason of his activities in the State he found it impossible to visit other jurisdictions. The Proceedings contain some very interesting information on the suppression of Masonry which was prepared by the editor of the Masonic World. The Lodges suppressed are enumerated and the conclusion reached is that aggression and invasion have eliminated 34 Grand Lodges having 2713 Lodges with 235,356 members

A resolution was adopted increasing the per capita tax from $1.50 to $2.00, the additional fifty cents to be used for payment of indebtedness.

M.W. Bro. W E. James is Grand Master for 1943.

ALBERTA

37th Annual Communication at Edmonton, June 10th and 11th, 1942 Grand Master George F. Ellis. Lodges 151. Members 10,712 Loss 22. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. 41 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Bro. J. W. Fry, the Mayor of Edmonton delivered an address of welcome. R.W. Bro. J. C. Bowen, the Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta was introduced and welcomed by the Grand Master. A Flag Ceremony was conducted

by M.W. Bro. John Martland, who explained that the standards represented the ten flags of the Empire nations with the Union Jack at the head for the Empire as a whole. The flags were all in turn saluted accompanied by the National Anthem 111 Lodges were represented.

A reception was accorded to the Grand Representatives who were formally welcomed by the Grand Master and requested to convey to their respective Grand Lodges the Fraternal greetings of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

This Grand Lodge during the year mourned the passing of one of its best known and most active Past Grand Masters Victor H. Macaulay, who was Grand Master in 1936. The deceased brother took a keen interest in Masonic as well as in civic affairs. The Proceedings contain a portrait and a memorial to this distinguished brother

The Grand Master spoke of the war which has spread in an alarming manner; he said that hatred and despotism appeared to be rampant and that the temple of democratic civilization is being savagely attacked; he stated that all should be thankful that the Dominion remains as yet unscathed but that we are called upon to mourn the death of many who have laid down their lives in defence of our civilization.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the death of The Duke of Connaught, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England until 1939. He stated that his death had brought to an end a Masonic career unequalled in the annuls of British Masonry for he was Grand Master for 38 years, until he retired on account of ill health.

The Grand Master also spoke of the death of the Reverend Archbishop Samuel P. Matheson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and former Primate of the Church of England in Canada. The passing of this Canadian prelate at the age of ninety-one years has been a distinct loss not only to his Church but to Masonry throughout the entire West.

On the occasion of the visit of the Duke of Kent in Alberta in 1941 the Grand Master was presented to His Royal Highness at Calgary. On that occasion the Duke of Kent thanked the Grand Master for the Grand Master's Fund of 1941 and stressed the fact that every cent was expended for the needy and suffering. He also mentioned the fact that the funds of the United Grand Lodge of England were severely taxed in an endeavour to relieve suffering in the British Isles. A letter from the Duke of Kent thanking the Grand Lodge of Alberta for its generosity was received and was read by the Grand Master.

In commenting upon the condition of Masonry the Grand Master said there were a few Lodges with small membership which were finding it difficult to carry on. He is of opinion that amalgamation of Lodges suitably situated is the only logical solution.

In September, 1941, a Conference of Representatives of the Grand Lodges of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba was held at Banff. At that Conference interesting discussions took place on the subjects of Masonic Education, Service to Youth, a uniform policy in war effort for Western Jurisdictions, and Benevolence. It was agreed that a meeting of similar character should be an annual event.

The Treasurer's report showed the finances in a sound position. There was a surplus in the General Account for the year. There is a Benevolent Fund of $220,000. Total payments to beneficiaries amounted

to $8,669. A sum exceeding $28,000 was raised for the War Distress Fund and it was confidently expected that the amount would be substantially increased by June the 30th.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that no matters requiring attention had been placed before them during the year. The Committee expressed the opinion that the practice of printing the reviews of the Proceedings of other Jurisdictions be discontinued for the duration of the war. The report was adopted.

ARIZONA

60th Annual Communication at Tucson, April 8th and 9th, 1942. Grand Master T. R. White. Lodges 39. Members 5,426. Loss 2. A Special Communication was held at Yuma on July 17th, 1941, for the purpose of conducting the funeral service of the late M.W. Bro. C. H. Colman, Past Grand Master. The Proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished brother.

There was a full attendance of officers at the Annual Communciation, and all Lodges but two were represented 50 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. J. K. Chilton. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, California and Colorado.

The Grand Master in opening his address stated many changes had taken place during the past year and the one which particularly concerned them was the entry of the United States into open and declared war. He said that the forces of evil were abroad in the world and that these forces had exterminated Masonry in all occupied countries and trampled under foot the most cherished rights of man. He added that all must lend support, both material and spiritual, to the Government in its endeavour to maintain liberty and freedom.

In referring to the condition of Masonry the Grand Master stated that he was of the opinion that Masonry in Arizona was in a healthful condition and that the Lodges are in the hands of men who are serious in their work and desirous of learning the philosophy of Masonry. In his opinion the principal thing needed for the Grand Lodge is promotion of a broader, educational programme.

As to welfare work among the armed forces the Grand Master expressed the opinion that multiplicity of effort was both unwise and undesirable and that the United Services Organization should be ample to take care of the work. He expressed doubt as to the wisdom of injecting the Craft into the work and mentioned the fact that several organizations which endeavoured to do welfare work during the last war were severely criticized and had not recovered from it yet. He favours the doing of any welfare work through Lodges by engaging in ordinary social activities and Lodge work and having each Lodge contact Masons in nearby military camps.

This Grand Lodge has assets valued at $448,000 and no liabilities. There is a Masonic Home General Fund of $158,000 and an Endowment Fund of $183,000.

The Review of Correspondence was presented by the Chairman of the Committee, Brother Lloyd C. Henning. 33 Jurisdictions were reviewed. Bro. Henning expressed the opinion that the reviews were not worthwhile preparing and did not warrant the expense of printing although he stated that he and others who prepared them enjoyed the

work. After much discussion a motion was passed that the Reviews be not printed.

The Roll of Grand Representatives was called and the Representatives assembled at the Altar where they were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the Fraternal Greetings of the Grand Lodge of Arizona to their respective Jurisdictions.

M.W. Bro. Joseph A. E. Ivey is Grand Master for 1942-43.

CALIFORNIA

93rd Annual Communication at San Francisco, October 13th to 16th, 1942. Grand Master Frank M. Smith. Lodges 582. Members 126,313. Gain 471. 20 Past Grand Masters were present and visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Washington, Arizona, Nevada and Oregon. The Grand Master said that the meeting was being held amid the most destructive war in history; that it was fortunate that this country was free from the depravity of dictatorships, the horrors of inquisitorial government and the serfdom of absolutism; that it was the duty of all citizens to give all towards the defeat of the sinister forces that seek to enslave the world; and that already 6,302 members of the Fraternity in California are in the armed forces.

At the time of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour on December 7th, 1941, the Grand Lodge of California had 8 Lodges in the Hawaiian Islands. At that time the Grand Master had arranged an itinerary of visitation of these Lodges. The Grand Master issued a proclamation to all Lodges in the Jurisdiction asking them to continue as usual and calling upon all not to be found wanting in the National crisis. He reported that all Lodges had adjusted themselves to the circumstances of war; an increase in membership is reported as well as the attaining of a better financial status. All Lodges meet as usual and the members are performing their part in the war effort. The Lodges in the Hawaiian Islands changed their hour of meeting to 4.30 in the afternoon and are all in a thriving condition.

The Grand Master established a Masonic War Relief Fund. During the first World War a fund exceeding $67,000 was raised for the help of members in the forces and their wives and children. As the membership today is twice what it was at the time of the first World War, the Grand Master is of the opinion that twice the sum then raised is necessary. The Fund is being raised on an individual voluntary basis and lodge donations from Lodge funds are not accepted. As of October 6th, 1942, the sum of $80,460 had been contributed.

The Grand Master issued a proclamation to all the Lodges stating that it was the duty of all to keep in communication with men in the forces and also to keep in touch with their families. He appointed a special War Service Committee for the purpose and asked each Lodge to appoint a Special War Service Committee. A certificate has been issued to each member in the forces to the effect that he is a member and commending him to the care and consideration of all Masons wherever dispersed.

The Grand Master referred to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the troops and stated that an invitation to the Grand Lodge of California to join the Association had been declined because it was the conviction that the Grand Lodge could give adequate service through its own effort and by the use of its facilities which

would more fully accord with its policy and purposes in connection with war relief.

The Grand Master spoke in the highest terms of the Masonic homes. The population of the home at Decoto where elderly persons are housed is steadily increasing under the stress of war conditions, and the increase is likely to continue. In the home at Covina where boys and girls are cared for, successful work is carried on and many boys who entered the home at a tender age are now serving their country in the forces. At Decoto there are 305 residents and at Covina 95. The cost of maintenance of the Decoto Home was $127,823 and of the Home at Covina $93,088. The assets are valued at an amount exceeding $4,000,000, and the Endowment Fund is $1,366,000.

After eleven years of losses in membership a gain of 471 was reported for the year ending in July 1942. During the 11 years from 1930 to 1941, 29,174 members were dropped for non-payment of dues and only 5,475 restored.

A report was presented as to the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands by Bro. R. C. Bryan, the representative of that Grand Lodge to the Grand Lodge of California. The report contains the history of Masonry in the Islands and the difficulties there faced. In 1941 there were 102 Lodges, of which six were in China. There was a membership of 5,656—2,856 of whom were Filipinos, 1,988 Americans, 654 Chinese and 158 of other nationalities. The Lodges have all ceased to function and the Grand Lodge of California has arranged to accept dues from the members holding the sums paid in trust for the Grand Lodge of the Philippines and issuing certificates to each member paying dues. To date certificates have been issued to 234 members with 55 cases pending.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a topical review. In a foreword they pay tribute to Bro. Jesse M. Whited, who was Chairman of the Committee for many years and prepared the Reviews. The Committee also referred to the question of correspondence reports, pointing out that in some Jurisdictions their value is questioned. The opinion is expressed however that these reports can be of great interest consisting as they do of digests on important matters selected from the Proceedings and thus rendering the information available in short form. Many subjects are dealt with in the topical Review Masonic Education, Membership, War Activities and War Relief. On the subject of Masonic Education the remarks of the Grand Master of Saskatchewan are quoted.

CANADA IN ONTARIO

87th Annual Communication at Toronto, July 15th and 16th, 1942. Grand Master J. A. McRae. Lodges 569. Members 91,398. Loss 1,001. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 5 Past Grand Masters were present. The Representatives of 40 Grand Jurisdictions were present, Saskatchewan being represented by R.W. Bro. E. G Dixon. The Past Grand Masters were presented and warmly welcomed by the Grand Master. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Quebec, Michigan, Iowa, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina and Pennsylvania.

A resolution was passed placing on record the deep sense of irreparable loss sustained in the passing of M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland. The Proceedings contain a portrait of this distinguished Mason and citizen.

An address of welcome was given by M.W. Bro. J. R. Conboy, Mayor of the City of Toronto. A welcome was also given on behalf of the Lodges of the City.

In opening his address the Grand Master said that it was doubtful if the Grand Lodge had ever met under more sombre circumstances or in graver and more perilous times. He referred to the Battle of Britain in July, August and September, 1940, stating that it had been won through heroic effort and sacrifice against a savage and ruthless enemy attacking from the air with the utmost ferocity causing untold damage and suffering and great loss of life. He added that the struggle has now reached such a peak of intensity that all will be affected by the increasing stringency in living conditions and he expressed the hope that the effort of Canada would be such that we would rise to the full measure of our responsibility.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the death of The Duke of Connaught and to his long service of thirty-eight years as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. The Grand Secretary had sent a cablegram of sympathy to the Grand Lodge of England.

In referring to the loss in membership the Grand Master stated that the number of resignations and suspensions had been less than for a number of years and if this can be taken as evidence of increased interest it is very welcome. He expressed the opinion that there should be a greater effort to rehabilitate those who through circumstances had been obliged to give up membership.

The Grand Master reported having visited half of the thirty-five districts at centrally located points and visits to individual Lodges had enabled him to visit twenty-five districts in all. He found it very difficult to visit other Jurisdictions but succeeded in visiting the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Michigan and Minnesota.

The War Service Committe continued its work throughout the year and arranged for the comfort of relatives of British Masons who came to Canada but were prevented by the exchange regulations from receiving money from the homeland. The main work of the Committee however was to continue the appeal for the Grand Lodge British War Relief Fund. Last year the sum of $115,000 was raised and this year a similar amount. The monies came in from month to month and substantial amounts were sent regularly to the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland.

The Grand Treasurer, M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, paid tribute to the work of M.W. Bro. J. A. Rowland, his predecessor in office. Last year a small surplus was reported and this year there was a substantial surplus in operations for the year.

In reporting on the membership the Grand Secretary stated that the loss for the year was the smallest since 1936. In that year the membership was 98,733, whereas the membership on December 31st, 1941, was 91,398.

The Committee on Benevolence reported a total of $80,654 expended by Grand Lodge. It is estimated that $75,000 was expended by the Lodges in charitable work, making a total of $155,654. Grants to 473 persons were recommended for the coming year. There has been a reduction in expenditure for benevolence the last few years and the estimates for this year are the lowest for a period of twenty years.

On July 14th, 1942, an Especial Communication was held at Niagara on the Lake to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the establishment of Masonry in the Niagara District. A memorial tablet was unveiled by the Grand Master.

In a foreword to the report of the Committee on Correspondence it is stated that with one accord the Grand Masters of the various Jurisdictions denounce the outrages committed by the Axis powers upon the unoffending Nations of Europe. Attention was called to the suppression of Masonry in countries dominated by the Nazis which has aroused the indignation of Masons all over the world. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully reviewed with references to the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, the donations to the Canadian Red Cross and the United Grand Lodge of England for the relief of suffering and to the work of the Committee on Masonic Education.

COLORADO

82nd Annual Communication at Denver, September 15th and 16th, 1942. Grand Master Benjamin C. Hilliard. Lodges 169. Members 28,941. Gain 45. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers, and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. A reception was accorded the Past Grand Masters and they were warmly welcomed by the Grand Master. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming and Arizona. 46 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. C. S. Desch. The Grand Master extended a welcome to the Grand Representatives stating that it was important to have representatives from other Jurisdictions and never so important as now, when it should be the ambition of all to make some contribution for a better world.

M.W. Bro. L. D. Crain passed away during the year. He had been active in Grand Lodge affairs for many years and served faithfully with the Board of Trustees for the Benevolent Fund. M.W Bro. A. C. Burnand, Grand Master in 1899 also died during the year. The Proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brothers.

The Grand Master referred to the fact that when Grand Lodge convened last year war had spread over the greater part of the world but the United States had no part in it. Three months afterwards however the United States was attacked and war was declared. The war he said was the most frightful of any in all history; the war is "global" and everywhere armed men are engaged in destruction. In areas where there has yet been no conflict the burdens of war are felt. Today great armies stalk over the world; in nearly all Europe these armies have taken over the people and the resources and are employing these resources largely against the people themselves. Peace will come and it must be a peace fair to all so that there will not be the incentive which makes nations restless. If a permanent peace can be brought about the war will not have been in vain. The nations must provide through their statesmen that there never will be occasion for another great world struggle. There is a Benevolent Fund which was established in 1901, and this now amounts to $362,430. During the year $9,995 was disbursed to 38 beneficiaries.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended that recognition be extended to three Mexican Grand Lodges, Cosmos in the State of

Chihuahua, Valle de Mexico, and the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas at Tampico, pointing out however that the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, which is recognized by the Grand Lodge of Colorado, claims jurisdiction over all Lodges to which it has issued or may issue charters and this means any place in Mexico. The Committee also recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a brief topical review of the activities of other Jurisdictions. An effort has been made for some years to curtail the report in order to save the cost of printing. The work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces is dealt with at length and reference made to the fact that a number of Grand Lodges have not responded, preferring to follow their own course in helping enlisted members. There is also a reference to the improved membership and to the suppression of Masonry in enemy occupied countries.

CONNECTICUT

154th Annual Communication at Hartford, February 4th and 5th, 1942. Grand Master Walter M. Pickett. Lodges 128. Members 33,500. Loss 363. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and there was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers. All but 12 Lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of The District of Columbia, Vermont, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and Massachusetts. The National Colours were presented and the pledge of allegiance given.

The Grand Master referred to his year of office, stating that the officers have been confronted with a year of swiftly changing events. A year ago nearly all Europe was at war; Masonry in Europe was interdicted, its property expropriated, its members in concentration camps. A year ago the United States stood as a neutral nation but was so far committed in sympathy and fact that it stood just "short of war." The National Guard was mobilised and awaiting orders; industry was being geared to produce the destructive implements of war; the standard of living was challenged by world chaos, and now the United States is involved in "all-out war."

Last year a resolution was passed authorising the Grand Master to pledge assistance to the Masonic Service Association in its plan for service to the men of the armed forces. Funds for the purpose were voluntarily raised. In addition there has been set up in each Masonic district a service committee to give emergency assistance to families of men in the armed forces.

The Grand Master made many visitations during the year among them several celebrations of 150th anniversaries. He commented upon these occasions as inspirational and as indicating the hold that Masonry must have to endure generation after generation.

Last year it was recommended that all Lodges prepare and submit a budget in a form to be prepared and approved. These forms were prepared and sent to the Lodges. Some dissatisfaction was expressed and the Grand Master in justifying the action stated that some Lodges lived beyond their means and some are in financial difficulty due to extravagance many years ago. He said that some were in real difficulty and he recommended that the incoming Grand Master be empowered

to make adjustments for delinquent Lodges which would be equitable in view of their circumstances.

The Grand Secretary reported a loss in membership of 363, the smallest in five years. The total loss in the five-year period 1937 to 1941 inclusive 3,672. Total receipts for the year exceeded $167,000 which included the assessment of $2.00 for the Charity Foundation and a special charity assessment of $2.00 per member

During the year 69 were admitted to the Masonic Home. In the Home and hospital there are 311 residents and 72 are receiving assistance outside the Home. The cost of operation was $201,725 and the total income was $190,000, an operating deficit of about $11,000. The Board of Managers called attention to the decrease in revenue and stated that the amount of relief given would have to be substantially reduced or the assessments for the support of the Foundation increased.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Winthrop Buck. In a foreword it is stated that the outstanding subjects of discussion during the year have been loyalty to the Government and to the ideals of Masonry. Membership continues to decline but at a less rapid rate. Eleven jurisdictions in the United States reported gains. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very kindly reviewed with references to the district meetings, to the question of District Deputies serving for more than one year and to the Benevolent Fund.

DELAWARE

137th Annual Communication at Wilmington. October 7th, 1942. Grand Master Clarence A. Short. Lodges 22. Members 5,089. Gain 3. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. All constituent Lodges were represented and Representatives of 49 Jurisdictions were in attendance. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Connecticut, Rhode Island and the District of Columbia.

The Grand Master referred to the privilege of being able to meet amid present day conflicts. Two years ago they were beginning to realize the possibility of armed conflict and a year ago they were much interested in the welfare of soldiers. Today the meeting was being held in the midst of world conflict and all were thinking of those in the armed forces fighting for liberty and democracy. He reminded the brethren that Masonry always cherished the ideals of democracy.

The Grand Master visited all the Lodges during the year and everywhere stressed the duties of the Lodges to brethren in the armed forces; he also emphasized the duties owed to the soldier on his return He visited the Grand Lodges of New Jersey and Maryland. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters and in reporting said he had never experienced more interesting and useful discussions than those he heard at the Conference on such subjects as Educational Programmes, The Suppression of Masonry in Europe, Freemasonry in the New World Order, and Welfare of the Masons in the Armed Forces. The Grand Master made reference to the George Washington Memorial, stating that Delaware stood second in pro rata contributions.

This Grand Lodge supports the work of the Masonic Service Association in establishing service centres near the principal army camps. The Grand Master recommended that a payment of fifty cents per

member be made to the fund. He also recommended that during the period of the war each Lodge adopt a Flag Ceremony.

A Communiction was sent to the Grand Lodge of England expressing sympathy in the loss sustained by the untimely death of The Duke of Kent, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Masonic Home was operated at a loss of $1,316. as compared with a net income of $11,600 in the previous year, the difference being due to a decrease in bequests. There are 33 residents in the Home and the cost of operation exceeded $20,000.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported applications for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Paraiba (Brazil) and the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana (Mexico). As to the first the Committee recommended that the application be deferred without prejudice, and as to the second they recommended that the application be denied as the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana does not appear to adhere to the requirements necessary for recognition. The application for recognition bu the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua, which was held over from last year, was granted.

The Review of Correspondence is by Frank S. Craig. In a foreword he states that for reasons of economy the reviews are curtailed. 61 Jurisdictions are reviewed, among them Saskatchewan for 1942. There are references to the ceremony of rededication, the international rally at Estevan, the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and the Benevolent Fund.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

132nd Annual Communication at Washington, December 6th, 1942. Grand Master N. D. Larner. Lodges 47. Members 19,767. Loss 62. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and all constituent Lodges were represented. 11 Past Grand Masters were present and were welcomed by the Grand Master. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Virginia.

A Special Communication was held on April 25th, 1942, for the purpose of approving of a lease of The Temple Heights property. The lease is for ninety-nine years at an annual rental and coupled with an option to purchase. There was also a Special Communication on August 15th, 1942, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro William W. Jermane, Grand Master in 1916.

In his address at the Annual Communication the Grand Master said that the year following Pearl Harbour had been filled with forebodings of ill but as the year progressed there was much to be thankful for; the people had not undergone the sufferings endured by those on the Continent of Europe and in a world largely suppressed by dictators all in this country enjoy the privileges of a free people who are abundantly supplied with the necessities of life.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the tragic death of The Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England who was killed in an aeroplane crash while serving in the armed forces of his country. A message of sympathy was sent to the Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Master referred to the suppression of Masonry in The Philippine Islands and to difficulties arising in enabling brethren of the Lodges there to maintain their standing. Arrangements were made whereby the Grand Secretary received the dues of such brethren in the States and in some cases authorized affiliation without the production of the usual dimit which could not be obtained because of the suppression of the Lodges in The Philippines.

This Grand Lodge paid the Masonic Service Association its welfare assessment for 1941 and will also pay the assessments for 1942 and 1943 to the Association for use in connection with their general service work. A Masonic Centre has been established in Washington for the use of the forces. The sum of $20,000 has been raised for the purpose of financing the Centre. The entire sum raised will be paid to the Masonic Service Association.

In the Masonic Home there are 85 adults and 11 children The receipts for the purpose of the maintenance of the Home were $71,340, and the cost of maintenance was $66,145. The assets of the Home were valued at $800,000 including the Endowment Fund of $325,000. The per capita tax levied for the support of the Home is $1.00.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. J. W. Karsner. In a foreword reference is made to the war effort and the activites throughout the land. It is stated that most Jurisdictions are availing themselves of the facilities of the Masonic Service Association, "believing in the efficiency of a united effort in a definite program." Some Jurisdictions however prefer to develop their own programmes. There is an interesting statement as to the membership; losses have decreased. The percentage of loss in the United States for 1942 is stated to have been .58 and in Canada .014. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1942 are very fully and kindly reviewed. There is a reference to the address of the Grand Master and a complimentary statement as to the present Grand Master M. W. Bro. Douglas Fraser. There are also references to the Benevolent Fund and to the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

At the Quarterly Communication in March, 1942, the Pro Grand Master, The Right Honourable the Earl of Harewood presided and submitted two resolutions, one addressed to His Majesty the King, and the other to the Grand Master, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, both expressing profound sympathy in the sorrow caused by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught. In submitting the resolutions the Pro Grand Master referred to the fact that for thirty-eight years the Duke of Connaught presided over the Craft to the entire satisfaction of all and that he resigned in 1939 when he felt his physical strength was no longer equal to the performance of his duties.

Reference was also made to the fact that during one hundred years of the one hundred and thirty years of the existence of the Grand Lodge of England the Grand Master had been a member of the Royal Family; for thirty years the Duke of Sussex; the Prince of Wales, afterwards King Edward VII, for nearly as long, and the Duke of Connaught for the longest period. It was also unique that the Society should have been presided over for sixty-five years by two bro-

thers, and during a period of unbroken progress; the Pro Grand Master stated that it was not unfair to claim that from the election of the Prince of Wales in 1874, a steady progress was maintained to which no preceding period could be compared.

H.R.H. The Duke of Kent was again elected Grand Master. He was nominated by the Rt. Hon. Sir John Laurie, who stated that he would not attempt to outline the great services rendered by the Duke of Kent. He briefly stated that Masonry had been enriched by his leadership and that in re-electing him the brethren would confirm their loyalty to him.

The Board of General Purposes stated in reporting that they found it necessary to call attention to the question of subscriptions payable to the Lodges by members of His Majesty's Forces. The rules laid down by the Board and endorsed by Grand Lodge are as follows:

(1) A Lodge may resolve after notice on the summons to reduce the subscriptions; (2) a Lodge may not resolve that all such brethren be relieved of the payment of subscriptions; (3) a Lodge may relieve a particular member if he is suffering financial disability by reason of such service but not otherwise. The President of the Board stated that it would appear, generally speaking, that brethren in the Forces are not desirous of being relieved of paying some subscription to the Lodges and he thought that many of the attempts made by Lodges in this direction are from a mistaken view that it is a generous action.

The Annual Investiture was held on April 29th, 1942, with the Grand Master the Duke of Kent presiding. After the ceremony the Pro Grand Master addressed the Grand Master stating how much the brethren appreciated his interest in the affairs of the Craft. In reply, the Grand Master thanked the brethren for the resolutions of sympathy voted at the March Communication; he said the Duke of Connaught was held in such great affection by Masons throughout the world that the message of sympathy was particularly appreciated by himself and the members of the Royal Family. He advised the brethren who had been invested that they had assumed the responsibility of keeping Masonry virile in these difficult days. In referring to war-time restrictions he asked if they were giving enough thought to the question of economy; A lodge he said would not be impaired if the summons is only half the size or less ornate than usual; any kind of extravagance in these days is inexcusable and he expressed the hope that no Lodge would be guilty of any action which could be condemned or even criticised. He expressed satisfaction that Lodges generally have maintained their activities and he spoke of the thousands of brethren with their families who were among those oppressed by the ravages of war. He concluded by stating that Masonry plays an important part in the national life, and it was the duty of all to see that it increases in strength and that its traditions are maintained.

At the Quarterly Communication in June the Board of General Purposes referred to the question of procuring Masonic clothing; the country's need of metals and other materials used in Masonic regalia has reduced the available supply to a minimum and it may be impossible to obtain proper clothing. The Board requested Lodges to appreciate the position and act accordingly. Lodges were also advised to conserve their funds because cases of distress arising from the war may occur and efforts should be made to insure that claims may be reasonably met. The Board noted the tendency to divert Lodge monies

to objects not connected with Masonry and while not suggesting that subscriptions to local charities be discontinued, it advised that the tendency should be guarded against as members' subscriptions are for recognized Masonic purposes.

FLORIDA

113th Annual Communication at Jacksonville, April 21, 22, 23, 1942 Grand Master E. W. Kimball. Lodges 221. Members 20,282. Gain 180. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 8 Past Grand Masters were present. 35 Jurisdictions were represented and visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of New York and Delaware. 190 Lodges were represented.

In referring to the world conditions the Grand Master said that when they assembled a year ago the nation was at peace but was now at war and facing dark hours; men by the thousands were gathering to depart for foreign fields of battle to defend the principles of freedom, liberty and justice. The principles upon which Freemasory is erected are being assaulted in many foreign lands.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing during the year of two Past Grand Masters, M.W. Bro. R. J. Kischpaugh, and M.W. Bro. C. B. Fish. The Proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

The cornerstones of two public buildings were laid and one new Lodge was constituted. One charter was surrendered.

The operation of the Masonic Home cost $43,332, and there was expended on emergency relief the sum of $6,387. There are 53 residents in the Home and 20 non-residents were assisted. There is an Endowment Fund of $125,000 The Grand Orator W. Bro. W. K. Jennings delivered an address on the subject, "What we are fighting for." He stated, that the nation was fighting for its way of life, for American democracy, for the things in which its citizens believed; for the possibility that every individual with no exceptions because of race or creed or status may have free opportunity to seek the greatest amount of happiness that is possible for him in this world.

M.W. Bro. George T. Taylor is Grand Master for 1942-43.

IDAHO

76th Annual Communication at Payette. September 15th, 16th, 1942. Grand Master W. D. Farnham. Lodges 81. Members 8,947. Loss 7. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 11 Past Grand Masters were present. 73 Lodges were represented. The Representatives of 38 Grand Lodges were in attendance. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Oregon and Washington. A reception was accorded to the Grand Representatives. They were welcomed by the Deputy Grand Master and informed that it was their duty to correspond with their respective Jurisdictions and convey to them the good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Idaho.

In opening his address the Grand Master referred to the fact that fifty years ago a charter was granted to Lodge No. 28 in Payette and that they were therefore celebrating fifty years of Masonry in Payette where the Grand Lodge was meeting for the first time. He stated that since the last Communication the country had become involved in a world-wide war on a scale never before witnessed; Mas-

onry, he said, had always been bound up with the country in its early history and in all its emergencies and achievements; and today many members were serving in the armed forces in all parts of the world. He emphasized the immediate task as that of helping the members in the forces.

The Grand Master visited over half the Lodges and referred to the visitations as the greatest pleasure of his office. He attended the International Night held at Seattle where representatives from the Grand Lodges of the North-Western States and of British Columbia were present. At one of the meetings two members of the British battleship "Warspite" were present. On October the 4th he attended the banquet in Vancouver given in honour of the Grand Master of British Columbia.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to his attendance at the Conference of Grand Masters. He said that meeting with the leaders of Masonry and hearing the able addresses was a rare privilege. The general theme of the addresses was Masonry's attitude to the war and preparing for post-war conditions.

In support of the work of the Masonic Service Association in establishing welfare centres for the Army Camps, the Grand Master appealed to the Lodges for fifty cents per member. The response was most satisfactory as the sum of $4,112 was contributed.

Emergent Communications were held during the year for the purpose of conducting the funerals of M.W. Bro Frank D. Mumford, Grand Master in 1929 and M.W. Bro. Percy Jones, Grand Master in 1931, who for a period of sixteen years has been Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

There was expended on relief the sum of $7,914, and in addition the sum of $6,000 was loaned to the Lodges for the same purpose.

The Committee on Masonic Education called attention to the fact that last year they expressed the opinion that Masonry was best taught by word of mouth and in reporting this year restated this opinion. In the opinion of the Committee the Educational Committees generally have been greatly discouraged with the results from the masses of written opinion sent out. In the Province of Alberta the Grand Lodge made an experiment three years ago to find out how many Lodges or members were interested to the extent that they would seek information. They were disappointed over the results as only four enquiries were received. The same Committee in 1941 reported that little use was made of its services as during the preceding year no request was received. The Grand Lodge of Alberta has reframed from publishing what is referred to as "unwarranted material." The Foreign Correspondent of the Grand Lodge of Oregon is of the opinion the efforts made to educate the members at the present time is in the majority of instances a waste of energy.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made fitting reference to the death of M.W. Bro. Percy Jones, Foreign Correspondent for many years. At the time of his death he had completed a review of all the Proceedings available. The balance have been completed by the present Chairman, M.W. Bro. Eldridge. The Committee recommended that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Tamaulipas and the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana both in Mexico, "particularly in view of the need these days of doing everything reasonable to help the cause of Pan-American Masonic solidarity." The Saskatchewan

Proceedings for 1942 are very kindly reviewed with references to the address of the Grand Master, to the International Rally at Estevan, and to the work of the Committee on Masonic Education.

ILLINOIS

103rd Annual Communication at Chicago, October 13th and 14th, 1942. Grand Master K. J. Mohr. Lodges 986. Members 187,768. Loss 1,416. For an hour before the opening of Grand Lodge a concert of music was enjoyed by the assembled brethren. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 8 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were in attendance from many Jurisdictions including the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. The Flag was presented and the brethren joined in singing "America." In honour of the Canadian brethren present "God Save the King" was sung.

In referring to the war the Grand Master said that all events in our present day lives pale into insignificance when compared with the wanton attack on Pearl Harbour; the country and its allies were engaged in a titanic struggle to determine whether peoples are created to serve governments or governments are created to serve peoples. He stated that the war was being waged by the totalitarian powers against the democratic way of living and involved an attack on the fundamental policy of Freemasonry.

Since war was declared the Grand Lodge of Illinois has established six Masonic Service centres near the great military camps in the State. Each centre is located in a Masonic Temple and provides entertainment and companionship for all who choose to avail themselves of the facilities. In March 1941 the Grand Master addressed a letter to each of the Lodges asking for a contribution of ten cents per member to help pay the cost of the centres. Every Lodge responded with the result that the amount sought was over-subscribed by 25 per cent.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and spoke of the timely subjects there discussed including educational programmes and the assistance which should be given by Grand Lodges to men in the armed forces. He is of the opinion that the exchange of ideas and the opportunity for the making of friendships between the heads of the various jurisdictions make the Conference a source of benefit and inspiration. The Grand Master was elected President of the Conference, an honour which he deeply appreciated.

In reporting on the meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association the Grand Master said that the completion of the memorial was slow because of the lack of funds and that a large sum was still needed. He called attention to the fact that the Grand Lodge of Illinois had not made its per capita contribution and ranks in the lower half of the Grand Lodges of the United States. He urged that steps be taken to see that the Masons of Illinois pay their full quota.

In referring to the Home for the Aged at Sullivan and for the Children at LaGrange, the Grand Master said that these homes present to the world evidence of the human ideals of Freemasonry. The appropriation for the Home at LaGrange has decreased from $150,000 in 1931 to $75,000 for the current year. There has been a steady decline in the number of children resident in the Home during the past

ten years. The appropriation for the Home for the Aged at Sullivan is $95,000. There are 182 residents in the Home.

There were three consolidations during the year each of two Lodges. The cornerstone of one public building was laid. The Committee on Obituaries made a special reference to the passing of The Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, who met his death while on active duty with The Royal Air Force.

The Committee on the recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges reported applications for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas located at Tampico, Mexico, and from the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua. The Committee reported that they were of the opinin that at the present time when there is so much chaos in the world there should be no haste in consideriong applications for recognition. They therefore recommended that consideration be deferred.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Elmer C. Beach, who was unable through illness to be present at the sessions. He wrote from Raleigh, North Carolina, that only twice in fifty years had he been absent from the Annual Communication and in both cases through illness. In a foreword to the Review he referred to the sudden and tragic death of The Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He spoke of his sterling qualities and lovable character which endeared him to people everywhere and extended the sympathy of the Grand Lodge of Illinois to members of the Duke's family and to the United Grand Lodge of England. Reference is made to the future of Masonry in Europe and to the concern it causes throughout the Masonic world. The reviewer refers to the cruel and barbarous treatment accorded to the peaceable and law-abiding men and attributes as a reason that Masonry is a democratic organization and emphasizes the dignity of the individual and holds to the doctrine that governments are established to protect the right of the individual to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan for 1942 are very fully and kindly reviewed. There are references to the monies raised for relief made necessary by the war and to the amounts sent to the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The International Rally held at Estevan which was attended by Masons from Saskatchewan and North Dakota is also referred to. Reference is also made to the amount expended by the Trustees of the Benevolent Fund.

INDIANA

116th Annual Communication at Indianapolis. May 26th and 27th, 1942. Grand Master James K. Gorrell. Lodges 539. Members 107,242. Gain 1,431. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. 516 Lodges were represented and the representatives of 59 Jurisdictions were in attendance. Among the greetings received was a communication from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

In opening his address the Grand Master stated that all assembled with a feeling of deep gratitude to Divine Providence for making it possible for them to meet in a time of stress and trouble in a world burning with fires of destruction, fires kindled by hatred and greed; the brethren had assembled from friendly communities to try to strengthen the ties of brotherly love and friendship.

The Grand Master reported that Masonry was flourishing in Indiana. He referred to the downward trend in membership during the depression and reported an increase of 1,431 for the year 1941. He also spoke of the improvement in interest in the activities in the Lodges. Financially the Lodges were in good condition, not one lodge being delinquent in the payment of Grand Lodge dues.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of Bro. Rudolph H Horst, Past Grand Master, who died on November 13th, 1941, after having been taken ill at the Grand Lodge meeting in May, 1941, and from which he had to be removed. The Grand Master made fitting reference to the life and work of this distinguished brother and the Proceedings contain a Memorial which was presented by a Committee appointed for the purpose.

Two cornerstones were laid during the year, one of a public building and one of a new Temple. Three Masonic Halls were dedicated. The Grand Master made many visits to the Lodges and by arranging to have members of other Lodges attend on the occasion of each visit, he reported that he had been able to contact members of about 500 Lodges. He visited the Grand Lodges of Illinois and Kentucky and also attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington. At the meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association he presented a cheque exceeding $1,000 on behalf of the Indiana Masons. This represents one-half of the balance due on Indiana's subscription made in 1932, and the Grand Master is of opinion that the balance will be paid next year and that afterwards the Grand Lodge should share in the cost of completing and maintaining the structure.

The finances appear to be in a sound position. There was a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations and there is a Masonic Home Maintenance Fund of $324,000. The maintenance of the Home cost $197,000. The per capita assessment for the Home is $1.00. There were 370 residents in the Home on December 31st, 1941.

M.W. Bro. Elmer F. Gay, presented a brief Review of Correspondence. He reviewed 63 Jurisdictions in all, the reports having been published in the Indiana Free Mason The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 were reviewed and published in The Free Mason in the month of October, 1941. There is an interesting table of membership in the United States in which the membership is placed at 2,454,308, and it is stated that 17 Jurisdictions reported gains but that there was a net loss in membership of 15,360. The membership in Canada is given at 167,340, showing a net loss of 2,418. Every Grand Lodge in Canada reported a loss.

IOWA

99th Annual Communication at Dubuque. June 9th, 10th, 11th, 1942. Grand Master Earl Peters. Lodges 545. Members 66,811. Gain 120. Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge public exercises were held at which the Chairman of the Local Executive drew attention to the fact that in July, 1842, nearly 100 years ago, a small group of Masons met in Dubuque and made plans for the organization of a Lodge. After the Grand Lodge of Iowa was formed a charter was granted to Dubuque Lodge No. 3. The Grand Master was presented to the audience, the Flag was presented, and the audience joined in the National Anthem An address of welcome was delivered by the Mayor

of Dubuque and the Deputy Grand Master responded. As a commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the chartering of Dubuque Lodge No. 3, a Masonic Play entitled "Masonry Makes its Bow in Dubuque" was presented by a number of the Masonic brethren in the Temple. The play was the re-enactment of the events leading up to the formation of the Lodge a century ago.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Illinois and Missouri. 394 constituent Lodges were represented.

During his address the Grand Master made reference to the losses in membership in recent years. He stated that the peak of membership was reached in 1926 and that since then there has been a decrease each year till this year when there is a small gain of 120. He expressed the opinion that Masonry was in a flourishing condition in the State and that finances are in excellent condition. Lodge meetings are well attended and there are less unpaid dues than for many years.

This Grand Lodge has large surpluses in its various funds. The Grand Charity Fund amounts to $800,000 and each year the Committee in charge receives the amount of $75,000 for the Temporary Fund. The Grand Secretary receives through his office $150,000 annually. The total amount of cash and securities in all funds exceeds $1,250,000.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the work of the Masonic Service Association in connection with the welfare of the men in the armed forces and expressed the opinion that the welfare of the men was being well cared for by the Government and the United Services organization and that there is little need for this kind of work being done by any other organization as it would only result in duplication.

The Grand Master reported that there was a possibility that the Grand Master's Conference for 1943 will be held at Cedar Rapids in the State of Iowa on account of the present crowded conditions in Washington.

The Grand Lodge Bulletin was published each month during the year and usually consisted of 48 pages but in March, 1942, it consisted of 64 pages due to the material from the Conference of Grand Masters. It has a mailing list exceeding 10,000.

The Committee on Grand Lodge recognition reported no applications but referred to a Pan American Masonic Congress which is to be held in Montevideo in Uruguay in February, 1943. The opinion was expressed that the meeting, if properly developed may result in a closer Masonic fellowship throughout the continent and the Committee recommended that participation in the Conference be left to the incoming Grand Master. Reference was also made to the fact that Masonry has been exterminated in every conquered country in Europe.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. E. R. Moore. In a foreword reference is made to the chaos that rules the world and to the fact that despite efforts to avoid involvement the United States are now engaged in war. Reference is made to the membership and the opinion expressed that the shrinkage has reached a low ebb and that in a number of jurisdictions increases are reported.

Masonic Homes and benevolence generally are being cared for by the various Grand Lodges. There is a reference to the suppression of Masonry in Europe and it is stated that troubles for Masonry there

are not new and that the number of persons involved is relatively small. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully and kindly reviewed with references to the address of the Grand Master, to the vote of $7,500 to assist in the relief of suffering caused by the ravages of war, to the Benevolent Fund and to the Review of Correspondence.

IRELAND

Grand Master The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Donoughmore. At the St. John's Day meeting in 1942 the Deputy Grand Master, the Most R.W. Bro. Raymond F. Brooke, presided and expressed regret at the absence of the Grand Master. He made fitting reference to the death of R.W. Bro. George Fitzgibbon, who had acted as Grand Registrar since the office was established in 1927. The Grand Master spoke of him as "an outstanding presonality among Irish Masons and indeed among all Irishmen." R.W. Bro. Fitzgibbon was a member of the Supreme Court from 1934 to 1938.

The Deputy Grand Master reported a gift of $10,000 from the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction in the United States for the general relief of distress. He spoke of this as a most generous gift and said that the money would be of the greatest service in the difficult times which lie ahead. He also reported gifts from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Natal, from the Lodges in Bermuda, and from the Lodge at Auckland in New Zealand, which is the oldest Lodge in that Dominion.

The Grand Secretary made extended reference to the death of R.W. Bro. Doctor Thrift, Provost of Trinity College, stating that it was one of the greatest losses sustained by the Masons of Ireland for many years. Dr. Thrift had filled many offices in the Grand Lodge of Ireland and was a member of the party of Masons from the Old Land who visited Canada in 1938 to attend the 200th Anniversary of Masonry in Canada in the celebration at Halifax. On that occasion he visited along with his colleagues all the Jurisdictions in Canada including the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan. The writer has happy recollections of meeting Dr. Thrift and regrets his demise.

The Grand Secretary reported a large attendance at the meetings of instruction despite the difficulties of transport. These meetings are held in each month from October to March in Dublin and demonstrations are given and questions answered.

Reports from all Provincial Grand Lodges in Ireland indicate activity and sustained interest. There are also reports from the Provincial Grand Lodges in South Africa, The Southern Cape, Natal and Shanghai. Lodge Erin in Shanghai reported all Lodge properties safe and no interference with activities.

KANSAS

86th Annual Communication at Topeka, February 11th and 12th, 1942. Grand Master R. E. Peterson. Lodges 438. Members 59,653. Gain 50. 16 Past Grand Masters were present and 286 Lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Colorado, Wyoming, Missouri, Nebraska and Illinois. The Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Kansas to their respective Jurisdictions.

The Grand Master made reference to the war which encircles the world and said that a world in torment has issued a challenge which

cannot be ignored and that there is an irrepressible cry for the brotherhood of free men. A mere cessation of warfare will not cure the ills of the world and all should resolve that there will be a peace founded upon the ideals which are contained in the teachings of the Institution.

Two Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of laying the cornerstones of public buildings. The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington in February, 1941, and is of the opinion that the Conference furnishes a splendid opportunity for making acquaintance with officials of other Grand Lodges and of learning how they are dealing with problems similar to those of the Grand Lodge of Kansas.

The Grand Master referred to a statement made by Jacob Saqui, the Grand Master at the time of the Civil War, as follows:

> "Obedience to the government is, and ever has been, the duty of Masons, and it should be our pleasure, as it undoubtedly is to our interest, to comply with the injunctions of this cardinal principle."

and said that a few months ago as individual citizens members could differ on questions of international policy but now the Government under whose protection they lived was engaged in a titanic struggle which could not cease until it ends in victory for the principles of democracy. He added that all must unite in allegiance to the Government and have the fortitude to make any necessary sacrifice.

The number of Lodges delinquent in payment of Grand Lodge dues is decreasing but the subject still engages the attention of the officers. Some Lodges have made a magnificent effort to reduce the arrears and some have been making monthly payments in order to reduce their indebtedness.

The total income for the maintenance of the Masonic Home was $90,677 and the cost of maintenance was $88,654. There is an Endowment Fund of $713,000, an increase of about $35,000 over the preceding year. The Home is valued at approximately $1,000,000. There are 285 residents in the Home and in addition a number are assisted outside the Home. The amount realized from the per capita assessment is materially decreased as the result of decreased membership. In 1931 there were 80,938 members. In 1941 there were 59,653 members.

In presenting the Report of the Committee on Correspondence M.W. Bro. Otto R. Souders stated there are four things attracting the attention of many reviewers: (1) A desire to recognize the Grand Lodges of Central and South America. (2) The attitude of Masonry towards the war. (3) The lack of support on the part of children of Masons of their parents. (4) The problem of bodies founding their membership upon Masonic affiliation. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very kindly reviewed with reference to the address of the Grand Master, to British children who may be evacuated from the war zone and to the visitations of the Grand Master to sister Jurisdictions.

KENTUCKY

142nd Annual Communiction at Louisville, October 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1942. Grand Master Oba Fields. Lodges 502. Members 44,725. Gain 1,816. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers and 20 Past Grand Masters were present. After the opening ceremony the American Flag was presented, a pledge of allegiance given, and

the brethren joined in singing "America" Vistors were present from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Missouri and Indiana. All constituent Lodges appear to have been represented.

In opening his address the Grand Master said that at the last session no one thought that before another session the country would be engaged in the horrible conflict of war; and yet this had happened and many are now in the armed forces fighting for the principles of freedom and democracy. He expressed the hope that the terrible conflict would soon end and that the peace which follows will be a lasting one

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of two Past Grand Masters during the year, M.W. Bro. H. H. Holeman, who was Grand Master in 1894-95, and M W. Bro. S. K Veach, Grand Master in 1906-07. The Grand Master paid tribute to the life and work of these distinguished brethren.

The 75th Anniversary of the establishment of The Widows' and Orphans' Home was celebrated in January, 1942. The Grand Master attended the celebration and highly praised the arrangements made by the Committee in charge.

The charters of two Lodges were arrested during the year, the membership in each case having fallen below that prescribed by the constitution The Grand Master recommended that $1.00 be assessed every initiate and that the amount so raised be sent to the George Washington Memorial Association in order to help finish the memorial.

The Grand Master appointed a Committee to consider the matter of reducing the size of the Annual Proceedings. He expressed the opinion that a considerable part of the proceedings could be dispensed with without lessening their usefulness.

The Grand Secretary in reporting an increase in membership stated that there had been a general renewal of interest in Masonry over the State.

The Committee on the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges, presented a review of 63 Jurisdictions. In a foreword it is stated that 23 of these Jurisdictions reported gains in membership, the largest gain being reported by the Grand Lodge of Texas. The Grand Lodge Tamaulipas of Tampico, Mexico, petitioned for recognition and the Committee recommended that recognition be given as they found that the Grand Lodge met the standards for recognition. The Review of Proceedings was prepared by Bro. Allen C. Terhune. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1942 are very kindly reviewed with references to the Benevolent Fund, the vote of $7,500 to the Grand Lodge of England for the relief of suffering and distress and the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

LOUISIANA

131st Annual Communication at New Orleans, February 9th and 10th, 1942. Grand Master D. A. Strickland. Lodges 245. Members 20,485. Gain 203. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. 220 Lodges were represented. The Flag of the United States was presented and the pledge of allegiance given. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of The District of Columbia and Nebraska. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 74 answered to their names. Saskatchewan was represented by C. P. Derveloy.

The Grand Master made reference to the great struggle for existence in which the nation is engaged and emphasized the necessity of loyalty and patriotism. He pointed out that in every great crisis of American history Freemasonry has always played an important part on the side of justice and it was the duty now to defend the ideals of America. In referring to the war in Europe he said the past year had been filled with atrocious acts and that in every country over-run the dictators had confiscated Masonic property and placed members in concentration camps.

The Grand Master reported favourably on the condition of Masonry in the State In every community leading men are attracted to its ideals. The suspension list is growing smaller and there is a marked increase in the number of petitions with the resulting increase in the membership The Grand Secretary presented an interesting history of the membership. In 1910 there were 13,802 members. In 1927 the peak was reached with 35,191 members and now there are 20,485.

The Grand Master made reference to the Home for Children at Alexandria stating that it was a noble and glorious work and gave the Masons of Louisiana an opportunity to justify their existence. The receipts for the Home were $32,244 and the cost of operation was $39,018, an operating deficit of $6,774.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by the Chairman M.W. Bro. Edwin F. Gayle. Owing to the policy of retrenchment an extended review of the Jurisdictions is omitted and a brief general review is substituted. Reference is made to the statement contained in the addresses of many Grand Masters deploring the terrible conditions brought about by the present world war. The injustice meted out to many peoples in Europe is referred to at length. Masonry has always stood for the liberty of the human race, for the brotherhood of man, and in Europe the fraternity is regarded by the dictators as the strongest outpost of freedom, of intelligence and of education and accordingly the first blow of the oppressors was struck at Masonry. In speaking of the membership the reviewer states that it is still declining but in a lesser degree The Grand Lodge of England is a marked exception where Lodges and members have increased every year since 1930. The reviewer is of the opinion that the people of America are more interested at this time in England than ever before because they recognize that the war is a battle for democracy and for the principles for which Masonry stands. It is pointed out that the human race from the beginning has experienced hardship and misfortune; that the heel of the oppressor has ground the human race in the dust but it has always risen; history will repeat itself and the race will rise again, freedom and liberty will be regained and the world will come out of the present struggle stronger and firmer in the assurance that right will prevail.

An application for recognition from the Grand Orient do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, was declined.

MAINE

123rd Annual Communication, at Portland, May 5th, 6th and 7th, 1942. Grand Master H. Murchie. Lodges 206. Members 34,496. Loss 169. Two Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of dedicating new Temples. There was a full attendance of officers at the Annual Communication and 190 Lodges were repre-

sented. All living Past Grand Masters were present and 52 Jurisdictions were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont and Quebec.

The Grand Master referred in his address to the organization of the Grand Lodge in 1820 by the voluntary action of the Lodges then operating in the State. One of the first acts was to present a petition to the newly organized Legislature of the State asking for a civil charter. The petition was granted and the charter became law when signed by the first Governor of the State who was also at the time Grand Master.

In his address of one year ago the Grand Master indicated that the welfare and perhaps the survival of Freemasonry was entwined with that of democracy in the struggle against the forces of totalitarianism. Since that time the war has become in fact a world war ranging across the expanse of the seven seas and embroiling the Western hemisphere. The issue will be determined upon the outcome of what is called "total war." Time was when warfare meant only the clashing of armed forces. Today it means a battle of peoples. In the totalitarian state the people have embraced the concept that individuals live not to enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness but solely to further the aggrandisement of their own race and rulers. In America the people enjoy maximum freedom and security but sacrifice is necessary to preserve these blessings. The task is to produce, to consolidate and to prepare the materials, the organization and the power which will maintain the United States of America and all allied peoples in an "All-out effort" which will overwhelm the totalitarian people, aided as they are by the enforced labour of the millions they have enslaved.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the Masonic Service centres conducted at fourteen Army Posts in the State. He reported however that the Masonic Service Association had taken over the work originally assumed by the Masonic bodies in the State.

The finances of this Grand Lodge are in a sound position. There was a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. There is a Charity Fund exceeding $230,000. The receipts from the Lodges exceeded the amount received in the preceding year. The sum of $22,965 was expended on Charity.

The Roll of Grand Representatives was called and 52 answered to their names. They were cordially welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Maine to their respective Jurisdictions.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. Ashley A. Smith, who is the Grand Chaplain. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully and kindly reviewed with references to the address of the Grand Master, the Benevolent Fund and the grant to the United Grand Lodge of England for the relief of suffering and distress caused by the ravages of war.

MANITOBA

67th Annual Communication at Winnipeg, June 3rd and 4th, 1942. Grand Master Rev. Canon G. R. Calvert. Lodges 104. Members 9,994. Loss 118. There was a full attendance of Grand Iodge Officers and 16 Past Grand Masters were present. Letters were read from Her Majesty the Queen, the Lord Mayor of London and the Grand Secretary of

the United Grand Lodge of England thanking the Grand Lodge of Manitoba for a generous gift to help bombed-out children. Letters were also received from the Prime Minister of Canada and the Minister of Finance thanking the Grand Lodge for generous gifts of cash to aid in the war effort of the country.

A Committee reported in favour of the adoption of the Declaration of Principles stating that from every point of view a declaration seems desirable. The Declaration adopted was in the main that of the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland.

The Grand Secretary after reporting on the membership, referred to the year 1930 as the peak with 12,477 members. In 1931 there was a loss of 57 and in 1932 a loss of 362. In each year since there has has been a loss of less than that for the year 1932 and the loss of 118 for 1941 is the smallest to date. Three Lodges purchased buildings for Lodge purposes during the year. There was a small deficit in the General Fund as the result of the year's operations. There is a permanent Endowment Fund of $217,699 and a Beneficiary Fund of $17,200. There was disbursed from the Beneficiary Fund a sum of $6,592.

The Representatives of 43 Jurisdictions attended. They were received and welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to extend the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba to their respective Jurisdictions. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, Alberta, Minnesota and North Dakota.

The Grand Master stated that all were grateful that the British Commonwealth of Nations was given the privilege of manifesting to the world that the principles upon which British liberties are founded were stronger today than ever before; and so Britain stood and it was that stand for justice and liberty which enabled the free peoples of the world to take stock and prepare to defend the verities of our civilization.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of two Past Grand Masters during the year, M.W. Bro. J. C. Walker Reid and M.W. Bro. Samuel P. Matheson who was Archbishop of Rupert's Land and the Primate of All Canada. The Grand Master paid tribute to the life and work of these distinguished Brothers and the Proceedings contain suitable Memorials.

The Grand Master made reference to the adoption of the Declaration of Principles as a statement of faith and expressed the opinion that such a statement should be made in order that everyone may know for what Masonry stands.

The Committee on the Condition of Masonry reported that the financial position of the Lodges generally has improved although some of the smaller Lodges are still having some difficulty. Arrears of dues are still much too large and the provisions of the constitution are not being complied with. Visits by Lodges to other Lodges have increased during the year and have been productive of renewed interest.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted a report of items of interest from the Grand Lodge Proceedings reviewed. In order to save paper the Committee abandoned the former method of individual reviews and adopted the topical method. Reference is made to the attention being given by many Jurisdictions to suspended brethren. It is also stated that many Grand Lodges require a preliminary statement concerning Masonry to be given to candidates before initiation. While the Committee abandoned the individual reviews, the review

submitted is by no means short. The Masonic situation in Europe is referred to at length. The status of membership and the condition of Masonry are dealt with and statements of various Grand Masters on these subjects are quoted. Masonic Welfare among the armed forces and evacuee children are referred to with statements as to what is being done in many jurisdictions. The activities of Grand Lodges in supporting the War effort are referred to in detail. The subject of Masonic Education receives attention and the activities of many Grand Lodges are referred to.

At a luncheon given the members of Grand Lodge and the distinguished guests by the Lodges of Winnipeg, M.W. Bro. John Moses, the Governor of North Dakota and Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota delivered an address in which he referred to the stern realities and the disasters of war so far, particularly at Dunkirk and Pearl Harbour. He emphasized the fact that it is necessary for every citizen of the United States and Canada to put forth every effort no matter what it costs. He said that all must have faith in our British Allies who stood alone from the fall of France in 1940, and for two years have lived under the deadly peril of bomb attacks He also spoke of the credit due the Russian people and the Russian Army, an army which is still intact and still fighting and has a tremendous morale and a will to win.

MARYLAND

Grand Master G. S Yost. Lodges 121. Members 28,449. Gain 198. The Semi-Annual Communication was held at Baltimore on May the 19th, 1942. Owing to the absence of the Grand Master through illness the Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. H. L. Robinson presided. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Kentucky and the District of Columbia. 121 Lodges were represented

The Grand Master in his address which was read by the Deputy Grand Master referred to the privilege enjoyed in being able to meet in assembly and freely express opinions unmolested and protected in the exercise of these rights by a government which exists primarily for the people it serves. Since the last meeting in November 1941 the treacherous attack on Pearl Harbour had occurred and the war had become fundamentally a struggle between two philosophies of life; he said the final issue was not one of territory or trade but was whether political liberty or slavery would dominate the world.

Shortly after the declaration of war the Grand Master issued an order for the presentation of the colours and the singing of the National Anthem in the Lodges. A committee was organized for the sale of war bonds and rivalry in sales occurred among a number of the Lodges. Rules were also drafted for the conduct of the Lodges during a blackout.

This Grand Lodge supports the Masonic Service Association and the establishment of Masonic centres near the army camps and contributes for the support of the work. The Grand Master said however that in addition to the work of the Masonic Service Association there was a large field of service which should be cared for and he urged a systematic effort to follow the movements of members and their sons in the forces. He also recommended the remission of the per capita tax in cases where the constituent Lodges excused the dues of members in the forces beneath the rank of a commissioned officer.

In the month of May, 1843, there was held in Baltimore a Masonic gathering of great significance. It was known as "The Baltimore Convention" and was attended by 17 of the Jurisdictions then in existence in the United States. It was called for the purpose of reaching agreement as to ritual in order to have uniformity in the various Jurisdictions. The agreements reached at the Convention are still regarded by many Jurisdictions as authoritative. The Grand Master recommended that the Centennial of the Convention be celebrated in fitting manner at the Semi-Annual meeting in May, 1943.

The Annual Communication was held at Baltimore on November 17th and 18th, 1942. The Grand Master presided and there was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, District of Columbia and Illinois. All constituent Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master made reference to the suppression of Masonry, stating that 34 Grand Lodges with 2,713 Lodges and 235,000 members had been wiped out, their property confiscated and many members imprisoned. He pointed to the privileges enjoyed on this Continent when compared with conditions in Europe and said that all should resolve to keep alive the lamp of freedom.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the death of The Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England while serving in the armed forces of his country. He suggested a suitable resolution requesting the Grand Secretary to send a message of sympathy to the Grand Lodge of England.

In speaking of the gain in membership of 198 the Grand Master stated that it was the first since 1930. He advised care in the admission of members and cautioned against the mistake of twenty-five years ago when Masonry was made "a popular movement," stating that they were still carrying the incubus of the mistakes of the last world war.

At the Semi-Annual Communication a resolution had been adopted for voluntary subscriptions of one dollar per member, one-half for the Masonic Service Association and the other half to be used by the Grand Lodge in the furtherance of its own programme of keeping in touch with members in the forces. About $12,000 has been subscribed. The Secretary of the Masonic Service Association was present and reported the establishment of 49 Masonic centres throughout the United States.

The Roll of Jurisdictions was called and 51 Representatives responded. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the Grand Lodge's greetings to their respective jurisdictions. Saskatchewan was represented by Bro. F. F. H. Ankeney.

M.W. Bro. H. L. Robinson was elected Grand Master.

MASSACHUSETTS

Grand Master Albert A. Schaefer. Lodges 326. Members 94,765. Loss 1,774. Quarterly Communications were held on March 12th, June 11th, September 10th and December 10th, 1941, and the Stated Communication was held on December 29th, 1941, when the Grand Lodge Officers were installed.

At the Quarterly Communication on March 12th the Grand Master of Maine M.W. Bro. Clark D. Chapman was a distinguished visitor. The Grand Master made extended reference to requests for dispensation and referred particularly to four classes: (1) To permit a candidate to be ballotted for at the meeting at which he is proposed. (2) To permit a candidate to be entered on the night of his election. (3) To shorten the prescribed interval between the conferring of degrees. (4) To permit a lodge to entertain an application from one not residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the Lodge. As to the first three the Grand Master expressed disapproval, and as to the fourth he stated that no such application should be granted until the Lodge having Jurisdiction over the applicant had been notified of the application and given an opportunity to make representations to the Grand Master.

The Grand Master reported his attendance at the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington in February, 1941. He referred at length to the meeting of the Masonic Service Association and to the discussion of welfare work among the armed forces. The Association decided not to engage in welfare work in any Masonic Jurisdiction without first having been invited by the Grand Lodge of the Jurisdiction and that in carrying on its work it would recognize the complete sovereignty of each Grand Lodge. At the Conference of Grand Masters the important subjects discussed were Freemasonry in Mexico, social security taxes, Freemasonry in Europe and organizations whose membership is founded upon Masonic affiliation.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to Masonic conditions abroad and he stated that in all Axis-controlled countries Masonry is either banned or lies dormant. In the British Isles however Masonry is functioning as normally as may be expected under existing abnormal conditions.

The Committee on the Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges recommended that recognition be extended to the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Nicaragua, which was constituted on November 27th, 1907.

12 Special Communications were held during the year for the purpose of celebrating anniversaries of constituent Lodges. Among them was the 175th Anniversary of St. John's Lodge at Newburyport on June 5th, 1941. This Lodge procured a charter on July 7th, 1766 issued by Jeremy Gridly at the time Grand Master of Masons in North America. He appointed one Stephen Hooper to be the first master. The early records of this Lodge are not available but the first reference to it on the records of Grand Lodge bears the date October 24th, 1766, and it appears to have been called St. John's Lodge first in 1774.

At the Quarterly Communication in June visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and The District of Columbia. The Grand Master reported on the condition of the Overseas Lodges. The District Grand Lodge in the Canal Zone is especially active. In Chile the unsettled political situation has a disquieting effect and calmer days are patiently awaited. In China there is definite cause for alarm, one Lodge having decided to cease activities. Two Lodges in Peking are reported in good condition and the three Lodges in Shanghai are said to be doing well but the District Grand Master stated in his report that "we are all sitting on a volcano out here wondering what is going to happen in the future; the next six months will determine our fate in the Far East I think."

The Committee on Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges reported on an application for recognition by the National Grand Lodge of Egypt and recommended that no action be taken. Previous to 1920 the Egyptian Grand Lodge was recognized by some outstanding Grand Lodges, among them the Grand Lodge of England. At that time division occurred and thereafter two Grand Lodges functioned each claiming to be legitimate. The Grand Lodge of England withdrew its recognition from both. The National Grand Lodge now claims to be a fusion of the two original parties but this appears not to be the case and information procured by the Grand Lodge of England warrants the conclusion that recognition should not be extended to the body.

At the Quarterly Communication in September the Grand Master referred at length to the subject of welfare work among the armed forces. He had caused a survey to be made in the three military areas in the State. His objective was to learn directly in what way the most help could be given and he was of the opinion that no benefit could result from a competitive activity along recreational lines with the United Service organization. In order to support the work he suggested voluntary subscription and that each Lodge should underwrite fifty cents per member.

M.W. Bro. J. E. Perry presented a memorial to R.W. Bro. Charles H. Ramsay, the Grand Treasurer, who passed away on June 23rd, 1941, at the age of eighty-six years, having served as Grand Treasurer for forty years.

At the Quarterly Communication on December 10th visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Maine and Illinois. The Grand Master made reference to the attack by the Japanese on Pearl Harbour on December 7th, stating that a few short days ago the country was attacked with deliberate premeditation and without provocation. Many citizens had been called upon to make the supreme sacrifice without a warning and without a chance; grim, stark reality faces the country and total effort must be dedicated to a single purpose; money and provisions must be fashioned towards a single objective.

This Grand Lodge has assets valued at $5,669,000. The income for the year was $363,817 and the expenditure $351,733. Resources increased during the year by $72,899. The Education and Charity Trust is about 2½ million dollars.

At the Stated Communication on December 29th, 1941, M.W. Bro. Albert A. Schaefer was installed Grand Master for the year 1942. Visitors attended from a number of neighbouring Jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario was represented by its Grand Master M.W. Bro. John A. McRae.

MICHIGAN

98th Annual Communication at Saginaw, May 26th and 27th, 1942. Grand Master D. H. Hesse. Lodges 513. Members 111,409. Gain 620. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 17 Past Grand Masters were present. An address of welcome was given by the Mayor of Saginaw to which the Deputy Grand Master responded. The roll of honour which consists of the names of all Past Grand Masters, was read by the Grand Secretary. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Illinois, Massachusetts and Ohio. Prior to the opening of Grand Lodge a Special Communication was held for the

purpose of receiving the distinguished guests. All but 49 constituent Lodges were represented. In his address the Grand Master said that since the last Communication an epoch in the history of the world had occurred; at that time the war was viewed through the eyes of a neutral people but today America with its democratic Allies is at war. The intentions of the Axis powers is to destroy the democratic powers of the world and all democratic interests. The path ahead is not one of ease but is one of sorrow and unending sacrifice but all must pledge everything in support of the government for the successful prosecution of the war which has been thrust upon the nation.

The Grand Master reported a very busy year having travelled 33,000 miles to carry out his visitations. Most of the distance he travelled by automobile and he stated that he had worn out his only tires and was now faced with the necessity of travelling on foot. Three charters were arrested during the year because of failure on the part of the Lodges over a period of years to return annual reports to the Grand Secretary. Upon receipt of the annual returns the charters were restored In each case the trouble is said to have been due to carelessness on the part of the secretaries of the respective lodges.

In referring to the subject of arrears of dues the Grand Master said he had found in many Lodges members on the rolls who were in arrears from three to six years. He stated that no Lodge should permit such a situation to exist and that the secretaries should be more active in the matter of collection of dues. He also expressed the opinion that the dues of some Lodges were not sufficient and he advised all Lodges where the annual dues were less than $5.00 to amend their bylaws and increase the dues to a minimum of $5.00.

The Grand Master spoke with enthusiasm of the program of the Masonic Service Association and for the establishment of recreational centres near training camps. He recommended that the incoming Grand Master request each Lodge to contribute an amount equal to fifty cents per member to help support the programme.

Extended reference was made by the Grand Master to financial matters. He suggested an increase in the per capita tax from $1.00 to $1.50 largely because there was a serious situation in the financing of the Masonic Home. The increase in the living costs has been about 30% and this has caused an increase in the cost of maintenance. For the coming year the estimated revenue of the Home is $92,000 and the cost of maintenance is $117,511. The Grand Master pointed out that Michigan is among the lowest in per capita assessment and that among the Jurisdictions in the United States, the lowest per capita is ninety cents, while the highest is $4.50. There is an Endowment Fund of $470,000. After considering the subject the Committee on Finance advised a special assessment of twenty cents per member for the Home making the per capita for this year $1.20.

Outstanding Grand Lodge dues were reduced during the year by an amount exceeding $10,000. The gain in membership for 1941 is the first net gain since 1929.

Committees on Jurisprudence and Finance expressed the opinion that the raising of necessary money for the welfare work among the armed forces for the present should be by voluntary subscription rather than by assessment and they reported adversely on the suggestion that the per capita be increased for the purpose. They recommended that

$10,000 of Grand Lodge funds be placed in the hands of a Masonic War Council to be established for the purpose of carrying on war work and that this be supplemented by an appeal for voluntary contributions.

MINNESOTA

89th Annual Communication at St. Paul, January 21st and 22nd, 1942. Grand Master C. C. Colton. Lodges 298. Members 46,727. Loss 583 All the officers were present and 247 Lodges were represented. The Grand Representatives of 51 Jurisdictions were in attendance, Saskatchewan being represented by Bro. R. C Van Kirk. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Manitoba, District of Columbia, Iowa, Wisconsin and Ontario

In opening his address the Grand Master referred to the country being at war and to the fact that all that part of the world which still believes in democracy is engaged in a struggle against government by dictators. He stated it was the duty of all to support the country in maintaining its strength as the struggle involves the survival in the present day world of the principles for which the Order has stood throughout the ages.

In commenting upon the loss in membership the Grand Master referred to the fact that some Grand Lodges reported gains. On inquiry however he found that this is due not so much to new candidates as to restorations. He is of the opinion that while the Grand Lodge of Minnesota is handicapped in the matter of restorations by the Masonic Home Assessment great effort should be made to secure restorations. He referred to a number of weak Lodges and suggested a survey in order to see whether consolidation with some nearby Lodge would be a benefit.

The fraternal work in the hospitals at Rochester is carried on by a Representative at that point in a competent manner. Many Masons from other Jurisdictions have given assurance to this effect. The Grand Master stated that the work done at Rochester is well and favourably known in many Jurisdictions and in all North American countries.

The Grand Master reported a visit to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba in June, 1941, stating that the courtesies extended by the Canadian brethren were innumerable, and that he would always accept an invitation to attend that Grand Lodge if it was in any way possible to do so. He also referred to his attendance at the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia when General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff of The United States Army, and Jesse H. Jones, Secretary of Commerce, were made Masons at Sight.

Extended reference was made by the Grand Master to the meeting of The George Washington National Memorial Association held in February 1941. He spoke of the need of the early completion of the Memorial. He reported that the Alexandria Washington Lodge would soon meet in the Lodge room in the Memorial erected to the most illustrious figure in United States history. Additional funds are necessary to complete the structure. The Grand Master stated that Minnesota had as yet contributed only 35% of its quota as compared with 200% contributed by New Hampshire, which is at the top of the list.

The Grand Lodge is supporting the Masonic Service Association in its plan for the establishment of Masonic centres for the benefit of

the armed forces in towns adjacent to the training camps. The movement is supported by a majority of Grand Lodges in the United States.

M.W. Bro. E. A. Montgomery presented his twentieth annual report on Foreign Correspondence. The Proceedings of 61 Jurisdictions are reviewed. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very kindly reviewed with references to the display of the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes, the Flag Ceremony, the grant to the Grand Lodge of England for the relief of suffering and distress caused by the ravages of war, and the Benevolent Fund.

MISSISSIPPI

124th Annual Communication at Vicksburg, February 10th and 11th, 1942. Grand Master Luther A. Smith. Lodges 320. Members 21,781. Gain 217. 12 Past Grand Masters were present and 253 Lodges were represented. M.W. Bro. J. J. Brooks, an Honorary Past Grand Master, passed away on December 23rd, 1941. He was the oldest living Mason in the State of Mississippi, having been initiated in 1872.

The Grand Master issued an edict in the month of June, 1941, requiring all Lodges to provide a flag of the United States to be stationed in the lodge room during all meetings and requiring all brethren at each regular meeting to pledge allegiance to the Flag as a token of devotion to the ideals which it represents.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington. Every Grand Master in the United States except one was present. He expressed the opinion that the conference was a worthwhile organization as it furnishes an opportunity for exchange of views on matters of common interest. He also attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association and he informed the brethren that the project would soon be completed and he hoped that Mississippi would do its part.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to welfare work among the military camps. He stated that the plan of the Masonic Service Association provided for the establishment of Masonic centres in the communities adjacent to the camps as no organization other than those controlled by the War Department are permitted to function inside the camps. The Masonic Service Association plan requires a substantial outlay of money because it means full time representatives and when the plan was submitted to the Grand Master he was of the opinion that the Grand Lodge of Mississippi would not participate. He is of the opinion that the Lodge should be the centre of Masonic activities and that it is the proper place for Masons in the military units to meet.

In 1943 the Grand Lodge will celebrate the 125th Anniversary of its establishment and the Grand Master recommended that action be taken to provide a special ceremony for the occasion. He also recommended the appointment of a historian whose duty it will be to prepare a history of the beginnings of Masonry in Mississippi and present his report at the next Communication.

The Review of Foreign Correspondence is by Bro. C. H. McCraine who was absent on account of illness. The introduction to the report contained a reference to Masonic Homes and Masonic Charities. Masonic charity in some form or other is common to all Jurisdictions and the greater number maintain homes. The Reviewer states that the

keynote in most Jurisdictions is the War and the course that should be pursued in the event of the United States becoming a participant. As to losses in membership it is stated there has been a great decline and that the membership is approaching the normal level after the abnormal growth during the period from 1917 to 1929. A rush to join the fraternity is predicted just as happened during the first World War. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 receive very kindly reference.

The Homes at Meridian and Columbus are well-financed. The cost of maintenance for the year is estimated at $27,000 and $13,500 respectively. There is an Endowment Fund for the Homes of $147,700 and also an Educational Fund of about $109,000. There are 64 girls in the Home at Meridian and 33 boys in the Home at Columbus.

MISSOURI

122nd Annual Communication at St. Louis, September 29th, 1942. Grand Master Harris C. Johnston. Lodges 620. Members 85,422. Loss 192. After the opening ceremony the Grand Master announced that it had been decided to hold a one-day session which would necessitate a revision of the agenda and that the election of officers must be held during the day. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Illinois and Texas.

In opening his address the Grand Master said that last year they met with the country at peace but today the nation is at war. He said that Freemasonry, like every democratic institution, is being challenged today by those who would destroy it; institutions are being tested and only those that can justify their existence will have the right to survive in the new world order. Today hatred, selfishness, intolerance and injustice dominate the lives of men; and to meet this challenge men must practise in their daily lives the principles of truth, tolerance and understanding.

Four new Masonic temples were dedicated during the year. One charter was arrested and two Lodges were consolidated. The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Missouri he presented the Association with a cheque for $1,900. At the Conference of Grand Masters M.W. Bro. R. V. Denslow spoke on "Freemasonry and the New World Order." The speaker stressed the need for unity and concentrated action by Masonic Grand Lodges in the difficult period through which the world is passing.

The finances appear to be in a sound position. The Grand Lodge lived within its budget for the year, there being an unexpended balance. The total per capita tax paid to the Masonic Home was $126,801. On September 1st, 1942, there were 320 residents in the Home. The per capita cost for the whole year was $634.65.

The Grand Master reported that plans were completed to present every member serving in the armed forces with a certificate which he can carry with him. The certificate will bear the seal of Grand Lodge and secretaries of the Lodges are asked to be prompt in sending names to the Grand Secretary.

The Masonic Service Association is now operating thirty centres at or near large Army reservations. Two of the centres are in the

State of Missouri The cost of maintaining these two centres is about $13,500. Last year the Grand Lodge contributed the sum of $7,000 The Grand Master recommended that the per capita be increased from $2.10 to $2.25 in order to take care of the welfare work among Masons serving in the armed forces.

The Committee on the Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges reported no applications for recognition and stated that owing to disturbed world conditions Masonry in all occupied countries is suffering. They expressed the hope that the war clouds would swiftly pass away and that contact might be resumed with brethren scattered throughout the habitable globe.

The Review of Correspondence is by M W. Bro. R. V. Denslow. The review is entitled "The Masonic World," and a variety of subjects is dealt with. There is a most interesting account of Freemasonry in Alaska. Masonry has existed there for half a century and at present there are fourteen Lodges with a membership of 1,698. Three of these Lodges are in the Yukon Territory and are under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. The other eleven are under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of Washington. British Columbia Lodges are at Atlin, Dawson and White Horse, while the Washington Lodges are at Skagway, Douglas, Nome, Juneau, Ketchikan, Fairbanks, Valdez, Cordova, Seward, Anchorage and Petersburg. The United States purchased Alaska from Russia in 1867 and in 1868 a dispensation was issued for the first Alaska Lodge. This was at Sitka. The charter of this Lodge was however arrested in 1872. The formation of the Lodge however so soon after the purchase well illustrates the statement that "Masonry follows the Flag." There are extended references in the review to anti-Masonic criticism and to some of the answers given to the critics Masonry in Europe is referred to with a particularly interesting account of the suppression of Masonry in Austria. There is a portrait of Richard Schlesinger, the last Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Austria. An account is given of the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces. Reference is also made to the progress of Masonry in Australia, New Zealand, and South America and to the recognition extended to Grand Lodges in South and Central America by some of the Grand Lodges in the United States Conditions in Mexico are also dealt with. To those interested in the subject of Masonry in foreign lands I commend this most interesting and instructive review.

MONTANA

78th Annual Communication at Helena, August 19th and 20th, 1942. Grand Master R. M. Hattersley. Lodges 136. Members 17,803. Loss 8. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge officers and 20 Past Grand Masters were present. 117 Lodges were represented, and the representatives of 54 Jurisdictions attended. Immediately after the opening ceremony the Flag of the United States and The Union Jack were presented by a number of the veterans of the First World War, and the brethren joined in singing "America" and "God Save the King!" Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Ohio, Illinois, Saskatchewan, Idaho, Alberta and North Dakota. Addresses of welcome were given by Bro. S. C. Ford, the Governor of Montana and by Bro. John J. Haytin, the Mayor of Helena.

In his address the Grand Master said that since the last Communication momentous events had occurred. For several years there had been ominous clouds of war and all had hoped that the country would be spared the horrors of modern warfare; but these hopes had been in vain and by the treacherous attack of a perfidious foe the country had been hurled into the terrible world conflict.

This Grand Lodge mourned the passing of M.W. Bro. E. L. Marvin, Grand Master in 1933-34 and who for many years was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home. The Grand Master paid tribute to the work of this distinguished brother making special reference to the services he had rendered to the Masonic Home. A Special Communication was held at Helena to conduct the funeral services.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported 48 Grand Lodges represented there. He also attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. At that meeting about $70,000 was contributed by Grand Lodge Representatives for the building Fund. An expenditure of $60,000 was approved towards the completion of the building.

The Grand Master made extended reference to welfare work among the armed forces and to the efforts of the Masonic Service Association. He recommended that the sum of 75 cents per member be raised annually for welfare work, that the sum so raised be placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary to be disbursed by the Grand Master with the concurrence of the Deputy Grand Master and the Wardens, and that they be empowered to pay 50 cents of each 75 cents raised to the Masonic Service Association.

The Grand Master reported that generally the condition of the Craft was good. He was surprised that there had been a small loss in the membership as he had expected a gain. The loss however could be explained by the removal of many who had joined the armed forces and also by the fact that many residents had left to work at the West Coast and elsewhere.

The finances appear to be in a sound position, there being a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the operations of the year. The Grand Secretary reported that all Lodges except one had paid their Grand Lodge dues. The Committee on the Address of the Grand Master recommended the appointment of a committee of five to confer with the Finance Committee as to the suggestion of the Grand Master that the sum of 75 cents per member be raised for welfare work among the armed forces. This committee was appointed and subsequently reported in favour of the recommendation of the Grand Master.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that no applications for recognition had come to hand since the last Communication. As to certain applications for the recognition of South American and Mexican Grand Lodges which were held over from the last meeting, the Committee stated that it was deemed inadvisable at this time to recommend recognition because of the unsettled conditions throughout the world. The opinion was expressed that it may be in the best interests to withhold further recognition until world peace is again restored. Reference is made to the continued losses in membership in the United States and Canada, but there is encouragement in the fact that the losses are being reduced and there is apparently greater interest in Masonic Activities. The report also refers to the

charitable activities of various Grand Lodges; in the United States 36 of the 49 Jurisdictions have Masonic Homes while the others expend monies in giving assistance in needy cases.

A reception was accorded the Grand Representatives and also the Past Grand Masters. A committee on the remission of dues of members in the armed forces recommended that when the local Lodge remits the annual dues of such members Grand Lodge should remit the per capita tax.

M.W. Bro. Charles Davidson is Grand Master for 1942-43.

NEBRASKA

85th Annual Communication at Omaha, June 9th and 10th, 1942. Grand Master Edward F. Carter. Lodges 289. Members 30,852. Loss 67. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 15 Past Grand Masters were present. The Past Grand Masters were presented and welcomed by the Grand Master who expressed to them gratitude for the splendid services they had rendered to the Craft. The National Flag was presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance. An address of welcome was given on behalf of the 11 Lodges in Omaha. 238 Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master made reference to the "distressing events" which had taken place since the last Communication. He stated that the country had been attacked by those who deride everything democratic; that the Christian religion had been assaulted and its very existence imperilled in many parts of the world; that Freemasonry had been the victim of dictatorialism.

This Jurisdiction mourned the passing of two Past Grand Masters during the year, M.W. Bro. R.R. Dixon, Grand Master in 1924-25, and M.W. Bro. H. H. Wilson, Grand Master in 1895-96. The proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

The cornerstone of one new temple was laid and two temples were dedicated during the year. There was one consolidation of two Lodges and a number of Lodges have signified their intention to consolidate.

The Grand Master paid tribute to the Masonic Home at Plattsmouth and the home for children at Fremont and expressed gratitude to the management of both institutions. He stated that everyone who visited the homes would agree that their operation alone would justify the existence of the Order in the State.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to reinstatements. The number for the year was 429, the largest in recent years. He is of the opinion that an effort should be made to restore all worthy brethren who have been suspended for non-payment of dues; with a loss of 11,000 in the last ten years there is much that can be done in this field of activity.

Attention was called to the contributions of the George Washington Masonic Memorial. The original contribution asked was $1.00 per member. The membership at the time was 40,027, and the total amount paid by the Grand Lodge is $26,446. No effort has been made to reach the total assessment of $1.30 per member. The Grand Master expressed the opinion that some plan should be formulated to meet the obligation in a reasonable time. A committee on the subject reported suggesting ways and means of raising the necessary money.

Due to the emergency resulting from the United States entering the war, the Grand Master formed a War Service Committee. All Lodges were requested to furnish the committee with the names of brethren and their sons in the armed forces. More than 1,000 names have been received and it is the intention of the committee to communicate with all these men and render such service as the circumstances may require.

60 Grand Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. O. C. Dovey. In welcoming the representatives the Grand Master stated that their duties were light but they were expected to keep in communication with the Jurisdiction which they respectively represented and if anything important transpired of interest to the Grand Lodge of Nebraska they should report it.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Edwin D. Crites. In a foreword it is stated that the review has been reduced from that of former years from motives of economy. The reviewer states that the universal preoccupation is war but that he has endeavoured to avoid undue emphasis on war topics. The review is topical in character and among the subjects referred to are Antagonism to the Society in Europe, Finances, Masonic Service in the Armed Forces, Masonry Through the Eyes of its Enemies with special reference to a report of the Committee of the Lutheran Church in South Africa, Masonic Homes, and Statistics showing the Membership in the United States.

NEVADA

78th Annual Communication at Elko. June 11th and 12th, 1942. Grand Master George B. Russell. Lodges 26. Members 3,181. Gain 18. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. 22 Lodges were represented. The National Colours were presented and the brethren joined in the pledge of allegiance.

The Grand Master referred at length to the lesson learned so far in the war. He said the nation was caught unprepared and those whose duty it was to know the strength of other countries were guilty of indifference as they knew nothing of the strength of the other countries. Many people thought that wealth was power and that no nation dared oppose the United States. Pearl Harbour and Corregidor were an appalling price to pay for the stupidity, and he impressed on all the need for every preparation to defend the country and its possessions. All must now be prepared to give support to constituted authority and give all energy and substance to effect a complete and lasting victory.

The Grand Master reported that in his visits to the Lodges he found that they were healthy and prosperous. He stated that all of the Lodges were active and that the Grand Secretary would report a substantial gain in membership.

Certain text books in use in the schools of Nevada were condemned by the Grand Master and he stated he had expressed his disapproval on all his official visits. The books are on the subject of Social Science and the Grand Master regards some of them as subversive and of a character to excite class hatred and animosity against England, and in addition they tend to destroy respect for the constitution of the United States.

This Grand Lodge has a Student Loan Fund. There are at present nine outstanding loans, some of which will be discharged during the present year

The Committee on the George Washington National Memorial reported a payment made in February, 1942, and a balance on hand. When the balance is paid Nevada will have contributed $1.96 per member, an amount in excess of the quota of $1.70.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. E C. Peterson, the Grand Secretary. In a foreword comment is made on the fact that a number of Jurisdictions in the United States report gains in membership. Reference is made to the concern about low average attendance and the opinion expressed that large Lodges give few the opportunity of becoming active. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very kindly reviewed with reference to the address of the Grand Master and the report of the Grand Secretary and the Benevolent Fund.

NEW BRUNSWICK

75th Annual Communication at St. John. August 27th, 1942. Lodges 43. Members 5,059. Loss 15. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 35 constituent Lodges were represented Six Past Grand Masters were present and 31 Jurisdictions were represented The Grand Master referred to the country being at war and stated that there are few countries in either hemisphere that are not at war. The meeting was the 75th Anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge and attention was called to the fact that on the celebration of the 50th Anniversary in 1917 the country was then at war.

The Grand Master visited 17 of the Lodges and reported that gasoline restrictions and war conditions prevented his visiting other Lodges. He stated that all the Lodges in the Jurisdiction were in good condition. Referring to a suggested increase in Grand Lodge dues the Grand Master said that he had considered the probable effect of such action and was of the opinion that any increase would cause a larger number of suspensions and withdrawals.

There is a Benevolent Fund of $84,000. The sum of $1,050 was disbursed in grants during the year.

The Grand Master called attention to the financial position of the Grand Lodge stating that the income was not sufficient to meet the general expenditure. He recommended that notice be given to alter the Constitution at the next Annual Communication by making it permissable for Grand Lodge to permit an amount not exceeding 25% of the unexpended balance in any year of the income of the Benevolent Fund be transferred to the General Fund The recommendation was approved by the Committee on the Address of the Grand Master and was adopted.

M.W. Bro. J. S. Hoit is Grand Master for 1942-43.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Grand Master Robert C. Laing. Lodges 81. Members 12,749. Loss 107. A semi-Annual Communication was held in the City of Manchester on November 18th, 1941. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 5 Past Grand Masters were present 69 Lodges were represented. Three Degrees were exemplified by officers

of three of the constituent Lodges. During the Communication the annual meeting of the Corporation of the Masonic Home was held at which vacancies on the Trustee Board were filled. The cost of maintenance for the year was about $26,000. There is an endowment Fund of $407,000.

The 153rd Annual Communication was held in the City of Concord on the 20th day of May, 1942. 73 Lodges were represented and 40 Jurisdictions, among them Saskatchewan by John J. Tilton. The National Colours were presented and the brethren joined in singing "America". Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Maine, District of Columbia, Vermont, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

The Grand Master in opening his address stated that today we are confronted with one of the greatest crisis in history; our lives are being regimented by various restrictions but we should be thankful that we are privileged to meet together and that the Institution of Masonry is able to carry on its functions and its teachings of brotherly love, liberty and truth.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the losses in membership throughout the Jurisdictions in the United States in recent years. He stated however that the trend has turned and pointed out that in 1938 seven Jurisdictions reported an increase, in 1939 eight, and in 1940 twelve reported an increase. He referred to the loss in New Hampshire for 1941 as 107, stating it compared favourably with losses for the past decade running as high as 400.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that fraternal relations with an exchange of representatives had been established with the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua, the Grand Lodge del Territorio Norte California and the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana and Occidental Americana.

The Review of Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. J. M. Dresser. In a foreword it is stated that in the United States and Canada there is much to encourage an optimistic view of the conditions of the Craft. Reference is made to the number of Grand Lodges reporting gains and to the fact that losses as a rule are much smaller. There is a lengthy reference to the matter of Masonic Service in the Armed Forces and the opinion is expressed that all Jurisdictions should co-operate in the work. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully and kindly reviewed with references to the Grand Master's Address, the District meetings, the report of the District Deputy Grand Master's, and the work of the Committee on Benevolence.

The proceedings contain a reproduction of a photograph of the building originally known as "The Earl of Halifax Tavern". In 1777 the name was changed to "The Pitt Tavern". It was in this building that on July 8th, 1789 the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was organized and in the same building on July 8th, 1939 a Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held to celebrate the 150th Anniversary. The photograph reproduced was taken on May 21st, 1941, and at the 152nd Annual Communication the Grand Master was directed to have a bronze tablet suitably marking the event erected on the building.

NEW JERSEY

155th Annual Communication at Trenton, April 22nd, 23rd, 1942. Grand Master Robert H. Davidson. Lodges 278. Members 71,443. Loss

920. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 22 Past Grand Masters were present. 87 Jurisdictions were represented among them Saskatchewan by R.W. Bro. Frank G. McGrath. 271 Lodges were represented, there being only seven without representation. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Vermont, Delaware, District of Columbia and Illinois.

The Grand Master reported harmony throughout the Jurisdiction but that the activities of war had produced many problems; a continual transfer of military units occasioned frequent requests to other Jurisdictions that their Lodges confer degrees by courtesy upon candidates elected to membership in the Lodges of New Jersey, and New Jersey had a number of similar requests with which they were glad to comply. The Grand Master reported a healthy renewal of interest in Masonry; there is greater activity in the Lodges and petitions for membership and restoration are more numerous.

The Grand Master referred at length to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces. At the last Communication a per capita assessment of ten cents was authorized to assist the work and there was paid to the Association a sum in excess of $8,000. The Grand Master reported that this year the sum of $35,000 would be required and he recommended that the special assessment be increased to twenty cents to help defray the cost. The increased amount is necessary to meet the expenses of increased welfare work in the State. This recommendation was subsequently adopted.

The total revenue from all sources amounted to $244,893. The per capita tax of $1.50 for the Masonic Home realized the sum of $107,164. The operating cost of the Home was $122,785 and the per capita cost $587.49. There are 212 residents in the Home.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that no applications for recognition had been received during the year. The committee commented upon the situation in Europe, stating that is was of "grave concern". Of the eleven Grand Lodges in Europe with which the Grand Lodge of New Jersey is in communication, only Sweden and Switzerland have not suffered suppression at the hands of the ruthless conquerors.

The Committee on the George Washington National Memorial reported a contribution of $1,400 for the year. New Jersey has now contributed $191,933 to the memorial, standing 5th among the Grand Lodges of the United States. On a per capita basis the Grand Lodge stands fourth, having contributed 116% of its quota on the basis of $1.70 per member.

The Review of Correspondence is by R.W. Bro. David McGregor. In a foreword it is stated that on the basis of the figures for 1940 the membership in the United States was 2,456,511 and that 15 Grand Lodges reported gains and 33 reported losses. The total net loss was 15,235 as compared with 27,076 for the preceding year. The nine Canadian Grand Lodges reported a loss of 2,402 while six of the Australasian Grand Lodges reported a net increase of 756. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully and kindly reviewed with references to the address of the Grand Master, the monies voted to the United Grand Lodge of England for the relief or suffering and distress, and to the work of the Committee on Masonic Education.

NEW MEXICO

65th Annual Communication at Albuquerque. October 19th and 20th, 1942. Grand Master James A. Elrod. Lodges 56. Members 6,254. Gain 59. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 10 Past Grand Masters were present. Immediately after the opening ceremony the national flag was presented. The Grand Master of Arizona was a distinguished visitor. The Past Grand Masters were welcomed by the Grand Master who stated that much of the work done by the Masons of New Mexico was due to their efforts. 18 Jurisdictions were represented. The Grand Master welcomed the Grand Representatives and expressed the hope that each of them would write the Grand Secretary of the Jurisdictions respectively represented and convey the best wishes of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico.

One new Lodge was constituted during the year and three Lodge halls were dedicated. The Grand Master referred to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces. 36 centres have already been established. Early in the year he appealed to the Lodges for support asking a contribution of fifty cents per member. The response was most gratifying, nearly all the Lodges responding. In support of the work of the Masonic Service Association the Grand Master recalled the difficulties encountered during the last war when the Grand Lodge attempted to perform the work independently.

This Grand Lodge publishes "The New Mexico Free Mason." The Grand Master is of the opinion that the publication is a splendid medium of information for brethren scattered over the world and he advised the secretaries to inform the editor of all changes in address so that the news may be sent regularly to all in the armed forces.

There is a Masonic Home Fund of $140,000. There is also a Student Loan Fund out of which $675. was disbursed in loans during the year. This fund has existed since 1923. In all 343 loans have been made totalling $61,664, and the total sum repaid is $55,463. The sum of $2437. was expended on relief.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. John Milne. In presenting his report Bro. Milne stated that most Jurisdictions are concerned with problems arising from the war. There are two main questions: (1) How shall welfare work among men in the armed forces be done? (2) What shall be done about the dues of men in the forces? Reference is made to the Masonic Service Association and the differences of opinion as to support of this plan. As to the remission of dues it is stated there is less difference of opinion, most Grand Lodges agreeing to waive assessment if the constituent Lodges remit the dues of men in uniform The Proceedings of 51 Jurisdictions are reviewed but Saskatchewan is not among them.

NEW SOUTH WALES

54th Annual Report. Grand Master His Excellency General Lord Gowrie Lodges 63. Members 63,006. Gain 905. A Special Communication was held at Sydney on July 12th, 1941, for the purpose of investing the Grand Lodge Officers. After the ceremony the Grand Master delivered an address in which he thanked the brethren for again electing him Grand Master. He said that due to increased duties in his official position he could not devote as much time to Masonry as he desired. He spoke of his visits to the defence forces and the many members he found in the services of King and Country. He exhorted

all to do whatever was possible to help the men in the forces and mentioned the need of support for the War Benevolent Fund. He asked the brethren to think of all in the Australian forces and the sacrifice they were making to preserve freedom and justice.

Quarterly Communications were held in September and December, 1941, and March and June 1942. At the Quarterly Communication in December 1941 both the Grand Master and Pro Grand Master were unavoidably absent and the Deputy Grand Master read the Grand Master's address in which he expressed his regret at not being able to attend and said that during the war he would be able to be present only on exceptional occasions. He reported that subscriptions to the War Benevolent Fund were steadily coming in and he called attention to the fact that many incapacitated troops were returning from the scene of action He predicted many calls on the Fund in the immediate future.

This Grand Lodge has assets valued at £457,899. There is a Benevolent Fund exceeding £75,000 and a Masonic School and Hostel Fund of over £136,000

At the Quarterly Communication in December, 1941, the Deputy Grand Master again presented the address of the Grand Master in which he stated that, due to the valour of the Russians, the war had entered a new phase and that prospects of victory were brightening. He referred to the fact that in the last few days Japan had ranged herself on the side of their enemies through surprise attacks while negotiations were still being conducted and had gained initial successes. These successes however would be counter-balanced by having the help in the Pacific of the powerful Navy of the United States.

At the Communication in March, 1942, the Pro Grand Master M W. Bro. Major General Maguire presided and delivered the address of the Grand Master in which it was stated that since the last meeting responsibilities in connection with national affairs had gravely increased; the enemy was now at the portals of Australia and already many brave men had laid down their lives in its defence; for the first time in history the land had become war-scarred by the bombing of Darwin, Wyndham and Broome.

The Board of General Purpose reported a letter from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England in reply to a request to be advised as to the attitude in appointing representatives to Grand Lodges in Europe. The Grand Lodge of England reported that owing to the uncertain position of Masonry in Europe no new appointments are being made until after the conclusion of the war. The Board decided to adopt the attitude of the Grand Lodge of England.

At the Communication in June, 1942, the Grand Master was present and expressed his pleasure at being able to attend' He paid tribute to the Pro Grand Master Major General Maguire for his services in the Australian Army as Director General of Medical Services. He reported a visit to Melbourne when he attended the installation of the Grand Master of Victoria, M W. Bro. William J. Burne

In the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reference is made to the charities carried on by various Jurisdictions, also to the sums of money sent by Jurisdictions in America to England for the purchase of ambulances to assist the Red Cross and for the relief of suffering caused by the war. Reference is also made to the attention being given to the recognition of various bodies in Mexico

and South America. The work of the Masonic Service Association in arranging for the welfare of the armed forces is also alluded to.

A motion was passed providing for the exemption from Grand Lodge dues of any member whose dues have been suspended by a Lodge by reason of the member being in war service with the Military, Naval or Air Forces.

The Review of Correspondence is by V.W. A. J. Kaglund. 64 Jurisdictions are reviewed in topical form. In a foreword it is stated that the global war has brought the English speaking democracies closer together. Reference is made to the need of keeping correspondence with the Craft in Europe formal and limited. Some of the topics dealt with are British Freemasonry, the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and its Programme, the Recognition of Grand Lodges in Central and South America, Freemasonry and Religion, Freemasonry and Youth; on the subject of education reference is made to the report of the Committee on Education of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in which the need for the undertaking of the fundamentals of Masonry is emphasized. The Review is most instructive and should be read by everyone interested.

NEW YORK

161st Annual Communication at New York City, May 5th and 6th, 1942. Grand Master Henry C. Turner. Lodges 1,037. Members 241,191. Loss 3,667. After the opening ceremony the National Flag was presented and the Grand Lodge joined in the National Anthem. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, Maryland, Connecticut and Delaware.

In opening his address the Grand Master said that a year ago they met in a land of peace but today they met in the midst of a storm into which the country, despite its will, had been drawn by the whirling forces of a world's madness. He stressed the need of complete unity in the country and in this connection quoted the words of M.W. Bro. Harold J. Richardson, Past Grand Master who died during the year and who in an address when he was Grand Master in 1927 referred to the possibility of dangerous divisions in the country resulting in class being set against class, in religious conflict and racial prejudice.

The finances are in a sound position. Notwithstanding the remission of twenty-five cents of the per capita tax which took place three years ago and notwithstanding continued decrease in the membership there was a surplus in the financial operations for the year.

At the last Communication a Committee on Military and Naval Service was appointed. The duties of the Committee are to minister to brethren in the military camps in the State and to retain contact with brethren who have gone from the State. The Grand Master recommended co-operation with the Masonic Service Association and last year a sum of $25,000 was voted for the purpose, of which the sum of $10,000 was paid to the Masonic Service Association. The Grand Master recommended that the balance be paid the Association this year. A Masonic War Chest has been set up and every member has been asked to contribute $1.00 a year, the monies to be used for the purpose of carrying out the program of the Military and Naval Affairs Committee, and to administer relief to those who need help as the result of calamity and disaster. The Grand Master reported having sent approximately $10,000 to the United Grand Lodge of England for

the relief of suffering. The sum was raised independently by voluntary donations.

The Mayor of New York City, R.W. Bro. F. H. LaGuardia, was introduced by the Grand Master and delivered a short address.

The Committee on Masonic Refugees continued its work of dispensing financial assistance in the form of modest loans to refugees formerly affiliated with Masonic Lodges in Foreign Jurisdictions. The amount loaned during the year was $5,139 and in the three years since the Committee was formed the total loaned was $20,488. 51 refugees were assisted during the last year.

A Special Committee on Outside Relief recommended that the system at present administered be discontinued except that pending cases be administered as heretofore, subject of course to re-examination; and that the present study be continued in order to have the scope of outside relief clearly defined and the respective duties of the Lodges and Grand Lodge better understood. There is a Home at Utica for which the estimated expenditure for 1942-43 is $500,000. The estimated income of Grand Lodge is $563,000 and the estimated expenditure $557,000.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by R.W. Bro. James E. Craig, the Chairman of the Committee M.W. Bro. Townsend Scudder having been ill. The report consists of a summary of Masonic activity throughout the world and while brief, consisting of only 28 pages, it contains much information and is very helpful in understanding the condition of Masonry in other lands. There is a very interesting statement on Masonry in England, Ireland and Scotland, showing how the Institution there, even under the impact of war, remains unimpaired and seems to grow even stronger. There is a reference to the retirement of the Duke of Connaught who had been Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England for 38 years and to the installation of his successor the Duke of Kent. There is also a reference to the death of Bro. T. G. Winning who had been Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland for fifteen years. There is a lengthy statement as to the work of the Masonic Service Association in establishing welfare centres for military camps. The opinions of several Grand Masters are quoted indicating a difference of view as to the work, some being of the opinion that the work can best be done by co-operation with existing bodies set up by the Federal Government such as the United Service Organization. Recent trends in membership are dealt with and it is pointed out that losses generally have been arrested. There is a page on Masonic work in Canada in which the death of M.W. Bro. John A. Rowland, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, is referred to. Reference is also made to the appropriation by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan of the sum of $7,500 as a contribution to the Grand Lodge of England for war relief.

NORTH CAROLINA

155th Annual Communication at Raleigh, April 21st, 22nd, 1942. Grand Master Charles P. Eldrige. Lodges 329. Members 26,196. Loss 15. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers and 10 Past Grand Masters were present. 72 Jurisdictions were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of West Virginia, Maryland and Virginia. 181 Lodges were represented.

In addressing the brethren the Grand Master said that at the beginning of his year he determined that enthusiasm and optimism should be the keynote. This he endeavoured to carry out on the occasion of all his visits and he is of the opinion that the state of the Craft reflects this note of optimism. He visited many of the smaller Lodges some of which had never had a visit from a Grand Master He reported that petitions for degrees were 37% more in 1941 than in 1940 and the prospects for 1942 are for a further increase. In his initial message to the Lodges he requested each of them to continue the ceremony of allegiance to the Flag.

The Grand Master attended the Communication of the Grand Lodge of The District of Columbia on December 16th, 1941 and witnessed the ceremony when General George C. Marshall and Jesse Jones, the Secretary of Commerce, were made Masons at Sight. He also attended the Conference of Grand Masters and the annual meeting of The George Washington National Memorial Association. He referred to the fact that North Carolina had not contributed to the memorial for some years and is behind in the payment of $1.70 per member in the amount of $4,300. He recommended that the sum of $2,000 be sent to the Association during the year and suggested that $1.00 for each new member be contributed.

Attention was called to the fact that several times in recent years there have been advertisements in the press of sales under mortgage of Masonic Temple buildings. The Grand Master expressed the opinion that such sales injure the good name of the fraternity and he suggested that legislation be prepared providing that no Masonic Lodge should engage in a building operation except with the consent of the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Master spoke at length of world conditions stating that the forces of democracy are arrayed against the despotic and totalitarian powers in mortal combat struggling for the very existence of the principles upon which the nation is founded and which were written in the Constitution. Between the forces of democracy and despotism there can be no agreement, no compromise, no appeasement. The United States were attacked by a brutal foe, even as the representative of the Government sat discussing with the representative of the enemy the means of maintaining peace. The war will be pursued to victory. Right shall prevail, and free men once more shall be free.

The finances appear to be in a sound position, there being a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. The maintenance of the Oxford Orphanage cost $45,000 and that of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home $24,000, of which $11,000 was contributed by the Grand Lodge. There are 364 residents in the Orphanage and 69 in the Home. One new Lodge was constituted, three charters were arrested and there were four consolidations each of two Lodges.

The Committee having in charge the Educational Loan Fund reported that the unloaned balances at a number of educational institutions totalled $34,320. This was considered an unsatisfactory condition and the institutions were communicated with. Fifteen of the replies stated that while the Loan Fund had not been as active as in previous years on account of more easily-obtained government loans as well as loans at lower rates from private sources, yet it was thought that government loans to students would be curtailed in the early fu-

ture and if this occurred the Masonic Loan Fund would be in greater demand.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. J. Edward Allen In referring to the war Bro. Allen states that it started with the First World War and is the unfinished task of that war. He also said that from the moment this war started it was inevitable that the United States would be involved. America, he said, has not yet awakened to the desperate significance of the war. Freemasonry is in a struggle for survival and all that it stands for is at stake. Masons are citizens and no true citizen can shut his eyes to the facts. As usual Bro. Allen presents a very interesting statistical table. The membership in the United States is placed at 2,456,047; net losses were 11,482, and 14 Grand Lodges reported gains. In Canada the membership is stated as 166,593, and the net loss 2,334.

NORTH DAKOTA

53rd Annual Communication at Fargo, June 16th and 17th, 1942. Grand Master John Moses. Lodges 122. Members 10,615. Loss 144. The Grand Lodge of Dakota Territory was constituted at Vermillion on July 21st, 1875 and on June 12th, 1889, it was divided into the Grand Lodges of South Dakota and North Dakota.

Immediately after the opening ceremony the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack were presented and all joined in singing "America" and "God Save the King." Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Montana and Manitoba. 13 Past Grand Masters were in attendance and were welcomed by the Grand Master. To this welcome the Senior Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell replied and referred to the fact that it was forty years since he was Grand Master and fifty years since he first attended Grand Lodge.

In opening his address the Grand Master stated that they were meeting under great stress; above everything lies the shadow of the deadly struggle facing the nation. The forces of democracy are engaged in a war for the purpose of saving the national existence and also for the purpose of preserving the right of free men to live in a free world.

The Grand Master referred to his attendance on July the 13th at the International Masonic Meeting at Masonic Island on Lake Metigoshe. From Manitoba and North Dakota Masons meet annually in an international gathering. The attendance from Manitoba this year was small because arrangements to permit the crossing of the boundary were not completed until two days before the meeting.

As a recognition of the gift of a Canadian Flag from the Manitoba brethren a year ago and as an evidence of the cordial relations existing between the two Grand Lodges, the North Dakota delegation attending the Grand Lodge of Manitoba presented the Grand Lodge with an American Flag.

This Grand Lodge has supported the work of the Masonic Service Association in establishing Masonic centres at the military camps. There is also a Masonic war chest to which each member is asked to contribute the sum of $1.00. Out of the war chest will come contributions to the Masonic Service Association and the balance will be used for relief work. The response has been very satisfactory, many Lodges having contributed more than their quota. In all the sum of $8,321 was realized.

A special effort was made during the year to have ten Lodges in arrears with Grand Lodge dues discharge their obligations. The Grand Master reported that the indebtedness of all but one had not only been reduced but had been fully paid.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the work of M.W. Bro. W L. Stockwell, the Senior living Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary for thirty years. In 1902 at the time when Bro. Stockwell was Grand Master, there were 66 Lodges with a membership of 3,998. Reference was made to Brother Stockwell's influence on Masonry in North Dakota and also far and wide throughout the nation. Many Masonic honours have come to him from other Jurisdictions and it can be said that his opinions on matters Masonic are respected everywhere in the Masonic world

The finances appear to be in sound position, there being a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. There is a Relief Fund of $64,000 and the sum of $1,377 was spent during the year. There is also a Home and Hospital Fund of $50,000.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin. In a foreword reference is made to the gain in membership in England and the reasons given, namely, the small Lodges and the disapproval of the so-called higher bodies. The reviewer thinks that too many take too much pride in the number of degrees and lose sight of the fact that the higher bodies should at all times be adjuncts of and supplements to Ancient Craft Masonry. He does not agree however with those who say that the Three Degrees are all that count. He is of the opinion that members of the higher bodies should remember that each Grand Lodge is the supreme authority within its Jurisdiction and that the proper title of the Grand Master is "Grand Master of Masons." A number of Jurisdictions are reviewed but Saskatchewan is not among them, probably because the Proceedings were not available at the time the report was prepared or because as stated by the reviewer that the review is not complete because of pressure of his regular business.

The Proceedings contain an interesting table of membership taken from statistics compiled by Bro. C. C. Hunt, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. Membership in the United States is placed at 2,453,175 and the net loss at 5,759. 24 Grand Lodges in the United States reported gains. Membership in Canada is placed at 165,226, with a net loss of 2,503.

NOVA SCOTIA

77th Annual Communicaton at Halifax, June 10th, 1942 Grand Master Geoffrey Stevens. Lodges 84. Members 8,171. Loss 11. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and six Past Grand Masters were present Divine Service was conducted by the Grand Chaplain the Rev. W. S. Ryder. 26 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. J. S. Smiley.

The Grand Master spoke of the world being divided into hostile camps the one of the forces of barbarism, hatred and ruthlessness, of destruction and ruin, and the other of the forces of right, of Freedom to live and worship and think, to assemble and to speak our thoughts and plan our lives. These rights can be preserved only by a total war effort and are rights which were not just accidents but men fought and died to wrest them from the forces of oppression.

The Grand Master visited 19 of the Lodges during the year. His intention was to visit more but due to his duties in connection with civilian emergency work he was unable to do so. He reported the condition of Masonry in Nova Scotia as good in the smaller Lodges as well as in the larger cities. The Grand Secretary reported general improvement; there were more candidates and less suspensions than in the previous year, and the dues paid exceeded the previous year by a considerable sum.

The Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home reported the installation of a sprinkler system, the total cost of which was raised by subscription. The year closed with a surplus of revenue over expenditure. There are 31 residents in the Home and the cost of maintenance was about $18,000. There is an Endowment Fund of $82,000.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations contains much interesting information as to the treatment of Masons in Holland, Belgium, France and Norway. The Grand Lodge Alpina (Switzerland) still functions. The Nazi occupation of the Channel Islands caused the closing of two Provincial Grand Lodges under the English Constitution, each consisting of nine Lodges. The committee reported an application for recognition from the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana at Vera Cruz but stated they had not sufficient information to warrant recognition.

M.W. Bro. Geoffrey Stevens is Grand Master for 1942-43.

OHIO

133rd Annual Communication at Columbus, October 21st and 22nd, 1942. Grand Master Charles B. Hoffman. Lodges 622. Members 176,592. Gain 2,780. All but 13 of the Lodges were represented and in all there were 1,070 representatives present; the Grand Master welcomed them and asked them to contact their respective Jurisdictions and express to them the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. R.W. Bro. David B. Sharp, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Maine responded and made reference to the suppression of Masonry in Europe He also referred to the tragic death of the Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, stating that Masons throughout the world sympathise with English Freemasonry in their loss. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of Illinois and Indiana.

The Grand Secretary reported that returns from every Lodge had been received. The increase in membership together with that of the previous year has placed the membership in excess of what it was in 1937; more than 11% of the total losses have been regained. The number of initiates was greater than in any year since 1929.

The sum of $18,000 was contributed to the George Washington National Memorial, making a total of $185,610, or 89% of the quota at one dollar per member. 347 of the 622 Lodges have paid 100% or more of the quota.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and also the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. He reported the Conference an inspiring gathering and said that duty to the men serving in the armed forces was the central theme. The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Michigan, the District of Columbia and Illinois during the year.

Early in his year of office the Grand Master sent a letter to all the Lodges on the subject of restorations urging a review of all the names suspended since 1931. There were during the year 2,385 restorations and last year there were 2,635.

The Grand Master reported that he had consistently refused to issue dispensations to permit Lodges to join with other groups in public demonstrations. He did so because he believed it is a violation of the Constitution and also because he thinks it a wise law and that it should not be changed. He expressed the opinion that the patriotism and loyalty of the Masonic Order cannot be questioned and that no waving of flags or ostentatious display in public can in any manner increase the devotion.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to welfare work among the forces and he reported a contribution to the Masonic Service Association of $5,000 to support the Masonic centres. He expressed the opinion, however, that with the United Service Organization and the Red Cross activities, the Masonic Service Association was going beyond the province of Masonic activity. This Grand Lodge has a program of its own for men in the forces which involves service to members in the forces, the sons of members in the forces and their families at home. The work is carried on through committees in each Lodge, it being the duty of these committees to keep in touch with members and sons of members by writing letters and sending small gifts. It is also their duty to establish contact with the families at home.

The Masonic Home houses 400 aged people and approximately 100 children. It represents the investment of more than three million dollars and requires an annual operating budget of $330,000. The Home is at present supported for the most part by the annual per capita of $1.20. A special effort is being made to build up the Endowment Fund, the objective set being $1,500,000.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Earle E. Stewart, and contains review of the Proceedings of 62 Jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1942 are very fully and kindly reviewed. There are references to the address of the Grand Master, to the death of three Past Grand Masters, and to the work of the Committee on Masonic Education. In addition to the individual reviews there is a topical review in which many interesting subjects are dealt with, among them Character, Condition of Masonry, Durable Peace, Freedom, and The Masonic Service Association.

OREGON

92nd Annual Communication at Portland, June 10th and 11th, 1942. Grand Master Arthur D. Hay. Lodges 171. Members 24,259. Gain 210. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of California, Washington and Mississippi. A welcome was extended by the Mayor of Portland. The Representatives of 57 Jurisdictions were in attendance. The Grand Master reminded the representatives that they were expected to acquaint themselves with the constitution and the work of the Jurisdiction each represented; each one should act as a committee on correspondence between the Grand Lodge of Oregon and the particular Jurisdiction represented.

The Grand Master visited every district during the year as well as a number of individual lodges. He also visited the Grand Lodge of

Idaho and California. He reported the condition of the Lodges both financially and otherwise sound. A few lodges which had experienced trouble with building projects are being conservatively managed and slowly getting out of difficulty. A few rural lodges are having difficulty in maintaining attendance and some consolidations may be necessary.

Some of the individual lodges have made an effort to maintain contact with their members in the armed forces. At the last communication a resolution was adopted empowering the Grand Lodge trustees to take such steps as might to them appear necessary in the performing of services to the members in the Army. As yet the Trustees have not seen fit to undertake expenditure for the purpose. The Grand Master said that he was not committed either to the support of the work of the Masonic Service Association or to the undertaking by the Grand Lodge of a broad scheme of its own. He is of the opinion that lodges in the vicinity of the military encampments could do a great deal towards serving the members in such encampments.

There is an Educational Fund of $290,000. Total educational assistance given during the year was $9,976. The maintenance of the Masonic Home cost $46,149, and outside assistance amounted to $4,208. The Life Membership Fund now amounts to $99,517. There are now 685 life members, an increase of 139 for the year. Interest at 4% is paid to the lodges from the earnings of the Fund. Including the Masonic Home Fund Grand Lodge has assets valued at $1,139,000.

The Proceedings contain a table showing the membership of the Grand Lodge from the time of its formation. It was established in 1851 with three lodges and 133 members. The peak of membership was reached in 1929 with 30,742 members. Since 1929 there has been a decrease each year until this year when a gain of 210 was reported. The present membership is 24,259, or 6,483 less than in 1929.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Otto C. Hagmeier. In a foreword reference is made to the aid given to the war effort by Canadian, Australian and New Zealand Jurisdictions. Some made contributions to the Government, some made interest-free loans, while others contributed to the Red Cross and for the relief of suffering in England. Reference is also made to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces; Jurisdictions in the South and along the Eastern Seaboard were in favour while those on the West Coast and in the Central and North-West areas appear to be opposed. The reason for the difference of opinion is stated to be that the work is a duplication of services already rendered by the Government. The Saskatchewan Proceedings are very fully and kindly reviewed with reference to the Benevolent Fund and to the report of the Special Committee appointed for the purpose of considering what action should be taken to express the loyalty of the Grand Lodge to the Empire.

PENNSYLVANIA

Grand Master J. A. Laithwood. Lodges 563. Members as of December 31st, 1941, 170,246. Loss 1,605. Quarterly Communications were held at Philadelphia in March, June, September and December, 1942, and the Annual Communication was held on December 28th, 1942.

In the Masonic Homes there are 590 residents. The Cost of maintenance was $324,961, a per capita of about $550. There is also a Masonic institution for boys known as The Patton Institution. There

is an Endowment for the Boys' Home of over $1,000,000 and for the Masonic Homes of over $2,000,000. In all this Grand Lodge has assets exceeding $19,000,000.

The Employment Bureau Committee reported having placed 1,263 applicants in positions of self-support during the year 1942. The great majority of the applicants were over forty years of age. Offices are maintained in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. The cost of maintaining the service is about $12,000.

At the Annual Communication visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Delaware and New Jersey. The National Flag was presented and in honour of the Grand Master from Canada in Ontario the Union Jack was also presented.

Requests for recognition were received from the Grand Orient Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, the Grand Lodge Tamaulipas (Tampico, Mexico) and the Grand Lodge of Chile at Santiago. These requests were referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the attack on Pearl Harbour and the resulting declaration of war. He said that the most important task of the Grand Lodge was the establishment of an effective agency to help those called to the services; there should be contact with all the members in the forces. For this purpose a Military Service Committee was set up which has arranged for committees in each Lodge to keep in touch with the members. This Grand Lodge also supports the Masonic Service Association in the establishment of Masonic Centres throughout the United States.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

67th Annual Communication at Charlottetown, June 24th, 1942. Grand Master R. W. Rogers. Lodges 15. Members 1,043. Loss 8. A Special Communication was held at Charlottetown on December 1st, 1941, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M.W. Bro. Walter P. Doull who was the oldest living Past Grand Master having been Grand Master in 1909, and Grand Secretary for nine years. M.W. Bro. G. S. Sharp, who was Grand Master in 1940 also passed away during the year.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers at the Annual Communication and eight Past Grand Masters were present. 29 Grand Jurisdictions were represented. The Grand Representatives were welcomed by the Grand Master who requested them to convey to their respective Grand Lodges the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island.

The Grand Master reported that he had visited all but one of the Lodges and found conditions encouraging. While the tendency towards a loss in members has not been arrested the falling-off is very small and the Grand Master is of the opinion that from now on a growth may be expected. There are arrears of dues in all the Lodges but in most cases they are very small amounts.

The Grand Master during the year urged upon the Lodges the compilation of Lodge histories; an effort should be made in each Lodge to reconstruct the history of the past so that it may remain as a permanent record. He also urged the acquisition of a central Masonic library in order that literature be available for all those interested in the history and symbolism of the Institution.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to visits by sailors, soldiers and airmen from other places and to the pleasure of welcoming them. He said that the Canadian Navy, Army and Air Force are writing a brilliant page in Canadian annals and stated that civilians also have a duty to perform; they should bear with cheerfulness the burdens of taxation, obey government regulations, co-operate in every war effort and dedicate their resources and energies to the winning of the war.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that the Grand Lodges of Czecho-Slovakia and the National Grand Lodge of France have been banned and that nothing has been heard of them during the war. Reference is made to the fact that the Grand Lodge of England is carrying on its usual activities under difficult conditions.

M.W. Bro. E. H. McFarlane is Grand Master for 1942-43.

QUEBEC

72nd Annual Communication at Montreal, October 14th, 1942. Grand Master H. W. Mitchell. Lodges 94. Members 13,462. Loss 106. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 86 Lodges were represented. Six Past Grand Masters were present and 34 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan, by R.W. Bro. G. S Burrows.

A cablegram was sent by the Grand Secretary to the Grand Lodge of England on the occasion of the tragic death of the Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. The letter of acknowledgment of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England was read. In the letter the Grand Secretary stated that every member of the order had been shocked by the death of the Grand Master under such tragic circumstances, and that his wise counsel would be sadly missed.

In his address the Grand Master said that during the past year the tempo of the war has greatly increased and more nations have been over-run by a ruthless enemy; many valiant young men have lost their lives in the path of duty while in this part of the Empire peace has been enjoyed. He stated that all should accept without complaints the restrictions placed upon their privileges and co-operate fully and faithfully in the war effort.

The Grand Master visited many of the Lodges during the year and appreciated the opportunity of acquaintance with the officers and members. He reported a kindly welcome on all occasions and found a spirit of co-operation prevailing everywhere.

The War Relief Fund established for the purpose of giving an opportnutiy to individual members to contribute for the relief of distress overseas has proven a success. The Fund has reached a total of £8,200 which has been forwarded to the Grand Lodge of England. In addition the Grand Lodge itself has voted sums through various recognized war agencies.

In commenting upon the membership the Grand Master said that from 1920 to 1940 inclusive there was a net increase in the membership of slightly over 3,000. During the period from 1931 to 1940 there was a substantial reduction. He stated that during the whole period from 1920 to 1940 the suspensions were in excess of 35% of the initiates; he expressed the opinion that this cannot be considered a healthy

condition. Among the causes he thinks that sufficient care has not been exercised in the choice of candidates, that many candidates are not impressed and after a lapse of time withdraw. He advised an effort at education to impress upon the members the principles of the Institution.

The Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Malcolm Lidstone delivered an address on Building a New World After the War. He spoke of the importance of all men of goodwill thinking and planning for the new world; the new order must be built on the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man for what else can promote goodwill, inaugurate absolute justice and establish peace on this troubled earth? The hope of the world he said remains where it always has been, loyalty to God's higher laws of righteousness and brotherhood.

The Grand Secretary in reporting the loss in membership of 106, stated that 35 Lodges had increases, 10 remained stationary, and 49 showed decreases. The loss for the past year is less than the average loss for the last ten years which was 256.

The Finance Committee reported a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. The total assets are valued at $562,000, an increase of $17,000 for the year. Since the outbreak of war contributions amounting to $6,350 have been made to the Canadian Red Cross, the Canadian Legion War Services Fund, and the Salvation Army. The Committee on Benevolence reported assistance in 14 cases amounting to $1,635. The requests for assistance for the last few years have decreased.

There is no Review of Correspondence. The Grand Master for 1942-43 is M.W. Bro. William Carswell.

QUEENSLAND

Grand Master Sir Leslie Orme Wilson. Lodges 385. Members 17,112. Gain 110. A Special Communication was held at Brisbane on July 23rd, 1941 for the purpose of installing the Grand Master. After the installation the Grand Master thanked the brethren again for the honour conferred upon him. He referred to the deaths during the year of M.W. Bro. Abraham Hertzberg and M.W. Bro. Alexander Corrie, stating that it was impossible for him to enumerate the great services rendered by these distinguished brethren. He also spoke of the generous contributions made by the Grand Lodge to various patriotic efforts and of the very large number of brethren who are serving in the forces overseas, with the result that the finances of Grand Lodge and the Lodges have been affected.

At the Quarterly Communication on September 3rd, 1941, M.W. Bro. W. H. Green, the Pro Grand Master presided. He expressed the regret of the Grand Master at not being able to attend because of his duty as Governor to attend another important function. He made reference to the date of the meeting as the second anniversary of the declaration of war—a war fraught with much tragedy but one in which it was an honour to defend the cause of humanity and to be associated with the Empire in the preservation of righteousness, freedom and justice.

Among the matters reported on by the Board of General Purposes were the applications of certain lodges to go into recess during the

war The Board however pointed out that there was no provision whereby such permission could be granted and stated that in their opinion it was the duty of members to keep the lodges functioning during the war.

At the Quarterly Communication in December, 1941, the Grand Master presided and in referring to the Christmas Season recalled the fact that last year he had expressed hope that by now victory would be nearer. It has, however been found that the Empire is fighting the most evil thing mankind has ever known and to defeat it will require the concentration of all energies.

At the Communication in March, 1942, the Grand Master referred to the death of the Duke of Connaught, stating that Freemasonry has suffered a severe loss by his passing. He submitted a summary of the Masonic History of the Duke of Connaught extending over a period of 64 years, for 38 years of which he was Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

A Communication was read from a member in the armed forces stationed at Darwin who spoke very highly of the help the men were receiving from the Red Cross but he also said that there was great need of certain supplies which he enumerated

The Board of General Purposes recommended that brethren who are called up for service and may hereafter be sent overseas or to such distant places in Australia as to prevent attendance at lodge meetings be exempt from the payment of lodge and Grand Lodge dues The previous resolution had provided for the exemption from dues of all in the forces.

The Grand Master called attention to the desire of the State authorities as to the curtailment of meetings which last until late hours. He spoke of the opinion in favour of earlier commencement of meetings and earlier closing, particularly in the coastal areas, and expressed the opinion that during the emergency lodges in coastal areas and others, if they wished, should meet at such an hour that members could attend before going home from work. He also stated that he was anxious that the regular meetings of all lodges should take place as usual and that all expenditures on entertainment should be reduced to a most moderate amount.

At the Communication in June, 1942, a cablegram from the United Grand Lodge of England was read thanking the Grand Lodge of Queensland for the sympathy expressed on the occasion of the death of the Duke of Connaught. The election of Grand Lodge officers took place. The only nomination for the office of Grand Master being Sir Leslie Orme Wilson. The Board of General Purposes outlined the precautions taken to protect the Masonic Memorial at Brisbane from damage in the event of air raids.

On April 25th, 1942, "Anzac Day," representatives of many Lodges gathered at the Masonic Memorial Temple to pay tribute to the members who fell in the War of 1914-18. The Pro Grand Master M.W. Bro. W. H. Green, delivered the memorial address.

The Board of Management of The Aged Masons, Widows and Orphans Fund reported a capital fund in excess of £55,000. In addition to those maintained in the Home the sum of £1347 was expended to help 82 men, women and children outside the Home.

RHODE ISLAND

152nd Annual Communication at Providence, May 18th, 1942. Grand Master R. L. Vaughn. Lodges 42. Members 13,973. Loss 208. A Special Communiction was held at Newport on June 22nd, 1941, for the purpose of celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Grand Lodge. There was a large attendance and 18 Past Grand Masters were present. 14 neighbouring Jurisdictions were represented. 150 years ago on June 22nd, 1791, the Grand Lodge was formed at Newport which was settled in 1639. Tradition says that Masonry was practised there as early as 1656, seventy-five years before the first Lodge was formed in Massachusetts in 1733 but there is no corroborative authority that Masonry existed earlier than 1749 when St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Newport was warranted.

The Semi-Annual Communication was held at Providence on November 17th, 1941. The Grand Master referred at length to the celbration of the 150th Anniversary stating that Masons from 14 other Jurisdictions attended from Maine to Georgia and among them the 12 Jurisdictions in the United States which ante-date Rhode Island. He said it was the worthy celebration of a memorable event in Masonic history and the gratitude of all was due those who made the arrangements.

The Grand Master reported that the officers decided upon certain definite objectives including service to the armed forces, steps to realize a Masonic Home in Rhode Island, the realization that the incomplete memorial at Washington was a Masonic problem, and the completion of a better understanding of world Masonic conditions.

A motion to appropriate $1,000 to publish a book recording the sesqui-centenniel celebration was defeated.

The Committee on the Masonic Home reported that in view of the general situation it was not the time to begin construction, especially on account of the difficulty in securing building materials. They advised the appointment of a new committee for the purpose of conducting a competition for preliminary plans of a building. There is a sum exceeding $138,000 to the credit of Grand Lodge charities.

A Special Communication was held April 19th, 1942, for the purpose of dedicating the new temple of Harmony Lodge No. 9.

At the Annual Communication in May, 1942, visitors were present from the Grand Lodges of the District of Columbia, Delaware, Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut and New Jersey.

During the year the Grand Master appointed a war service board to co-operate with the Masonic Service Association in conducting a program of welfare work in the armed forces.

The Rhode Island Bible has now visited every Grand Lodge in the United States and all but three Grand Lodges in Canada.

SCOTLAND

Grand Master Rt. Hon. Viscount Trapain. At the Quarterly Communication on November 5th, 1942, the Grand Master presided and immediately after the opening ceremony referred to the tragic death of the Duke of Kent, the Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

Reports of the proceedings of various Grand Lodges were acknowledged, among them the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Sask-

atchewan. Nominations were held for Grand Lodge officers for the ensuing year and the Grand Master nominated Captain J. C. Stewart as his successor, paying a special tribute to his work as Deputy Grand Master. Captain Stewart was elected by acclamation.

The Annual Communication was held on November 30th, 1942, when the installation of the officers was held. After the ceremony Viscount Trapain, now Past Grand Master, who conducted the installation ceremony delivered an address in which he outlined the difficulties of the past three years referring to the suffering and damage caused by bombing and expressing the hope that it would not recur. There had been many difficulties in carrying on the work of the Lodges but he said there had been greater difficulties among the brethren abroad; he spoke of China where it had been impossible for Masonry to carry on and of the Lodges in Burma; he read a portion of a letter from a District Grand Master of Burma in which it was stated that Scottish Freemasons had not lost hope in Burma and that with the eventual return of Burma to the British Empire Freemasonry would rebuild; meanwhile they intended to give support through the Lodges in India.

The Grand Master Capt. J. C. Stewart, then delivered an address stating that it had been a great privilege to him to have been installed by Viscount Trapain and that it had been an added pleasure to have been invested with the same regalia as his father had worn when he was installed as Grand Master 29 years ago. He referred to the splendid work by his predecessor Viscount Trapain who was constantly employed on the high seas in the service of his country but still had been able to attend many of the committee meetings. He made reference to the gratitude due Canadian brethren for support of the War Distress Fund; he said that Canada had contributed over £10,000; the Fund is for relief of distress among victims of enemy attacks on the country. Reference was made to the tendency to rush through degrees under the plea that candidates are going abroad; he is of the opinion that this should not be done except under very special circumstances. He also spoke of people from foreign countries wanting to join the Order and advised careful scrutiny in all cases.

This Grand Lodge has a total invested in funds of £644,000, there being a General Annuity Fund of £394,000 and an Orphan's Annuity Fund of £146,000.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The Grand Master, His Excelency Sir Charles Malcolm Barclay-Harvey. Lodges 153. Members 13,485. Loss 24. This Grand Lodge was formed in 1884 with a membership of 2,061. In 1930 the membership reached a peak of 15,341. In 1937 it had fallen to 13,319. In 1938, 1939 and 1940 increases were reported but now for 1941 there is a small decrease.

The Half-Yearly Communication was held on October 15th, 1941, at Adelaide, the Grand Master presiding. The Board of General Purposes expressed in its report on behalf of Masons of the Jurisdiction its reaffirmation of devotion to The King and Empire and to continued faith in the cause for which the Allies are fighting. In referring to the membership the Board stated that owing to the number of candidates an increase might have been expected but an unusual number of deaths

had caused a slight decrease. In referring to the War Relief Fund the Board said it was fully aware of the many calls on the brethren but for the maintenance of the reputation of the Fraternity there should be a general response to the request to support the War Relief Fund. During the year the Board asked its officers, so far as possible, to refrain from using private motor vehicles and to use public vehicles in order to conserve oils.

The Grand Master reported that he had been able to visit a few Lodges and expressed regret that on account of ill health he had been forced from doing all he desired. He commended to the Lodges the building up of the War Relief Fund which he referred to as a new phase of Masonic Benevolence for the purpose of helping those men who may return war-worn and also to assist the widows and children.

The Annual Communication was held at Adelaide on April 15th, 1942. The Board of General Purposes in its report extended its sympathy to the brethren in Darwin in the perils and dangers they have endured in the air raids. They reported that the Grand Master had approved certain recommendations for the management of Freemasonry at this time of national peril. Lodges are to continue their meetings as usual so long as war regulations are observed; the Lodges are urged to open at 7.30 p.m. and retire from the premises at 10.30 p.m.; festive boards should be continued but the expenditure thereon should be reduced to a minimum.

Reference was made by the Board of General Purposes to the death of the Duke of Connaught, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England from 1901 to 1939 when he retired.

The Review of Correspondence is prepared by the representatives of the various Jurisdictions. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are reviewed by Bro. J. E. Walton. There is a reference to the address of the Grand Master and his remarks as to the duties of all to devote their full energy to "a deserving victory." Reference is also made to the vote of $7,500 to the United Grand Lodge of England for war relief.

SOUTH DAKOTA

68th Annual Communication at Vermillion. June 9th and 10th, 1942. Grand Master H. B. Reynolds. Lodges 172. Members 14,142. Loss 252. All Grand Lodge officers were in attendance and 11 Past Grand Masters were present. The Past Grand Masters were received and welcomed by the Grand Master who expressed deep appreciation of their continued interest and service. The Flag was presented and the pledge of allegiance given. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Minnesota, North Dakota and Illinois. An address of welcome was given by the Mayor of Vermillion in which he made reference to the first Grand Lodge in Dakota Territory which was held in Vermillion in 1875.

In opening his address the Grand Master stated that the Communication was being held amid the shadows of the most horrible war of all time. The Grand Master expressed the opinion that Masonry has a definite mission in the national life. He fears dangerous division among the American people resulting in class hatred, religious conflict, racial prejudice and increasing disrespect for the constitution. He pointed out that it was the task of Masonry to support and encourage the forces which tend to bind man closely together.

The Grand Master reported the condition of Masonry good. There is renewed interest and petitions for membership and restoration are increasing and while the Grand Secretary reported a small loss the outlook for the future is bright. Last year 25 Lodges were delinquent in the payment of dues. This year there were only 8.

The opinion was expressed by the Grand Master that there should be a better understanding of Masonry in other countries and he recommended that an intensive study be made of foreign Jurisdictions with the hope of establishing recognition. He thinks this particularly important in respect of the Latin American Jurisdictions. In order to be of assistance to the men in the armed forces the Grand Master recommended that membership in the Masonic Service Association be continued and that every member be requested to support the recreational work of the Association.

The Board of Trustees of the Charity Fund reported that they had been able to meet each request for assistance without exceeding the income of the Fund. They called attention to the decision made last year that Lodges receiving assistance for their dependents should make some monthly contribution for their support and stated that some Lodges still asked for help without having to contribute financial support themselves. The Committee emphasized the fact that the Charity Fund is designed to supplement other assistance only when necessary.

The report of Foreign Correspondence was presented by M.W. Bro. M. E. Crockett. The review is topical and is very brief. The subject of life membership is dealt with and it is stated that much careful investigation must be made before establishing life membership. Standard mortality tables should be followed. There is also an interesting reference to Masonry in Mexico in which the difficulties between the York Grand Lodge of Mexico and the various Grand Lodges in the Mexican states are explained.

TENNESSEE

129th Annual Communication at Nashville, January 27th, 28th, 1943. Grand Master W. W. Herron. Lodges 385. Members 37,511. Gain 1059. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 326 lodges were represented. 15 Past Grand Masters were present and visitors attended from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The Grand Master in the course of his address referred to statements made to the effect that Masonry has lost its former standing; he quoted the statements of several Grand Masters as to loss of interest on the part of members and failure to interest newly initiated candidates. He thinks there should be a broadening of Masonic Education and suggested a Committee of three to study the subject and report at the next Communication. As evidence of the lack of interest he referred to the fact that out of a membership of 36,500, only 3504 attended the District Meetings, less than one in every ten. He also referred to the fact that in most of the lodges not more than 15% of the membership attend the meetings. He expressed the opinion that many meetings are too long and that an effort should be made to see that the business of meetings is conducted with more promptness and despatch.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and reported that the addresses were interesting but that there was little discussion. He had hoped for discussion of matters of interest and of conditions prevailing in the respective Jurisdictions and

said that the results accruing to himself and the Grand Lodge of Tennessee were a distinct disappointment. The main theme of the Conference was the emphasis placed on the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces. As to this work the Grand Master is of the opinion that it can be better provided by the United Services Organizations and that the work should not be scattered among several organizations.

There were two consolidations during the year each of two lodges. The finances appear to be in a sound position, the General Fund showing a surplus as the result of the year's operations. The maintenance of the Widows & Orphans' Home cost $59,000. There is an Endowment Fund of $659,000. On January 1st, 1943, there were 366 men, women and children receiving assistance, most of them being maintained outside the Home.

A report was submitted as to the George Washington National Memorial Association. On the basis of one dollar per capita the contribution of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee amounts to 87% or about $6,000 less than the 100% goal. Tennessee stands thirty-eighth among the states in the matter of contributions.

The Review of Correspondence is by Bro. W. P. Douglas. 48 Jurisdictions are reviewed. Bro. Douglas succeeds the late M.W. Bro. J. T. Peeler who acted as Foreign Correspondent for many years. In a foreword it is stated that the subject receiving the most attention among the Jurisdictions is how to render the right kind of service to brethren in the armed forces. On this subject there are evidently divergent opinions but in the opinion of Bro. Douglas the Jurisdictions which appear to have given the matter the deepest consideration favour the plan followed by the Grand Lodge of Tennesee, rather than that of adopting the line of least resistance and turning the problem over to the Masonic Service Association. Most Jurisdictions have made provision for the remission of dues to members in the armed forces. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1942 receive very kindly notice with reference to the War Relief Fund and the amount sent to the Grand Lodge of England, to the Conference of the Officers of the Grand Lodges of the Four Western Provinces, and to the Report of The Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

UTAH

70th Annual Communication at Salt Lake City, September 22nd and 23rd, 1941. Lodges 26. Members 4,472. Los 61. 17 Past Grand Masters were present. 24 of the 26 Lodges were represented. The roll of Grand Representatives was called and 26 answered to their names. They were welcomed by the Grand Master who asked them to extend the good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Utah to their respective Jurisdictions. The Past Grand Masters were also received and the Grand Master expressed to them his appreciation of their support throughout the year.

In his address the Grand Master stated that his observations during the year had deepened his conviction that Freemasonry is too vitally important to be neglected; that in the chaotic world today there is more need than ever for devotion to its principles; it is universal in its character and acceptable to all men regardless of race or creed; its philosophy is based upon the natural rights of man, the right to be free, the right to know justice, the right to think for ourselves and the right to worship according to the dictates of conscience.

The Grand Master reported the condition of the Order good; wherever he had been whether in the smaller lodges in the country or the larger lodges in the cities he had been impressed with the fine character of the men who composed the membership; on almost every visitation he found the attendance good and interest and enthusiasm on the part of those carrying on the work. He regretted that there had been a loss of 61 in membership.

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington and in reporting stated that the Conference was one of the most outstanding occasions in the experience of a Grand Master.

The Grand Master made extended reference to the welfare work among the armed forces and recommended that steps be taken to put into effect an appropriate programme. He referred to the efforts of the Masonic Service Association in setting up Masonic centres near a number of the larger camps and suggested support of this work. He also suggested that steps be taken to raise a fund by voluntary subscription to support direct efforts in the State as well as the work of the Masonic Service Association. These suggestions were later referred to a committee of three. This Committee submitted a report advising the raising of a fund by voluntary subscription half to be sent to the Masonic Service Association and the other half to be expended locally.

In reporting a loss of 61 in the membership, the Grand Secretary stated that 18 Lodges reported losses, five reported gains and two had neither loss nor gain. He also made reference to the decrease in membership in the United States as 24,997, the smallest in the ten-year period.

The Lodges disbursed about $5,200 for charity. There is a Grand Lodge Masonic Foundation of about $37,000.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. S. H. Goodwin. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1940 are very fully and kindly reviewed. There is a lengthy reference to the address of the Grand Master and his remarks on the fast-moving events of the past year, and on the condition of Masonry in Saskatchewan. The Benevolent Fund is also referred to as is also the report of the Committee on the condition of Masonry and the figures given as to delinquent dues. The reviewer compliments the Committee on Masonic Education. stating that he finds much valuable material presented in the form of papers provided by the committee.

VERMONT

149th Annual Communication at Burlington, June 10th, 11th, 1942. Grand Master P. Conant Voter. Lodges 103. Members 16,012. Loss 116. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 72 constituent Lodges were represented. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Quebec, District of Columbia, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. 43 Jurisdictions were represented.

The Grand Master referred to the privilege enjoyed in being able to meet at a time when the world is burning with fires of destruction, fires which are fed by hatred and greed. He referred to the similarity between the principles of Masonry and Democracy, pointing out that Masonry rests upon the foundation of the natural right of man to be free, to think for himself, to worship according to the dictates of his own conscience and to know equality among his fellow beings; religious freedom and civil liberty are the foundations of the American Republic.

The Grand Master was unable to attend the Conference of Grand Masters and the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association. The Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Warden and the Grand Secretary however attended. Reference was made to the subjects of importance which were discussed at the Conference, particularly the one which had to do with the relation of the Fraternity to the various "isms." In referring to the Masonic Service Association the Grand Master said that today we are particularly interested in the welfare of the brethren in the armed forces and he recommended that the Grand Lodge contribute towards the welfare work which the Masonic Service Association is doing among the soldiers of the nation.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the loss in membership which he stated had been going on for a decade. The loss is steadily diminishing being 116 for 1941, less than one-half of that for 1940. In the last six years there have been 1400 suspensions and 800 demits. The Grand Master asks whether this condition has been due to economic factors or to lack of interest. He expressed the opinion that a little more effort on the part of the lodges to retain the interest of the members and more effort on the part of secretaries to collect dues might prevent the losses.

The Grand Secretary reported that the Declaration of Principles had been printed in very attractive form and was available for the Lodges. They are in a form suitable for framing and it is hoped that each Lodge will procure one so that every member may be able to read it.

The finances are in a sound position, there being a surplus in the General Fund as a result of the year's operations. There is a Charity Fund of $93,000.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. A. H. Grout. 65 Jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1941, which receives very kindly and lengthy reference. In a foreword reference is made to the monies expended on charity as reaching a startling figure. There is also a reference to the disruption of the peace of the world and to the firm resolve that those who have caused the destruction should be chastised and beaten to their knees. Membership losses are less and more Jurisdictions are reporting gains.

VICTORIA

Grand Master W. J. Byrne. Quarterly Communications were held in March, June, September and December, 1941. At the Quarterly Communication in March the Grand Secretary reported on the membership as of December 31st, 1940. At that date there were 52,525 members, a gain of 462. In 1939 there was a gain of 889 members. Present membership is the highest in the history of the Grand Lodge, the nearest approach was in 1930 when there were 52,054 members.

The Board of General Purposes reported the sending of a cablegram to the United Grand Lodge of England expressing sympathy for the people of England in their ordeal and admiration for their fortitude and fidelity with which they were enduring it. The Board also reported having given consideration to a proposal submitted to hand over to the Government the Jewels of Past Masters for their gold value and decided to postpone the matter for six months, or until the Government makes an appeal for gold metal.

The report of the Freemasons Hospital shows that 1212 patients were admitted in the year 1940 and that the loss in operation was£4612.

At the Quarterly Communication in June M.W. Bro. W. J. Byrne was proclaimed Grand Master for the ensuing year. He thanked the brethren for the honour conferred upon him and as it was the close of his second year in office he expressed his gratitude for the loyal support during the two years past. He referred to the "sinister" aspect of world affairs, to the collosal strength of the enemy and expressed his belief that the Allies would eventually win; the struggle however would be titanic and of long duration, there would be reverses from time to time but all should have faith, courage and fortitude.

The annual report of the Freemasons' Home showed a surplus for the year in the operating account and a substantial increase in the Endowment Fund also an increase in the Building Fund.

At the Quarterly Communication in September the Board of General Purposes reported on a suggestion from one of the Lodges for the establishing of a fund by imposing a levy on all members for the payment of a gratuity to all Masons on active service. It was ruled that an alteration in the Constitution would be required to enable a levy on the Lodges for this purpose. The Board at the Communication in December reported on the case of a brother who was charged with refusing to take the oath to serve in the Australian Forces and was sentenced to imprisonment for six weeks. This brother attended a meeting of the board and stated he was a conscientious objector. He was suspended by the Board for the duration of the war. When the matter came before the Grand Lodge it was decided to refer it to the Board for reconsideration on account of the new government regulations in regard to conscientious objectors.

At the Quarterly Communication in December, 1941, R.W. Bro. C. H. Book, Deputy Grand Master, was elected Grand Master for the year 1942-43.

The Review of Correspondence was presented by the Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. William Stewart. The reports were prepared by the Grand Representatives of the respective Jurisdictions and it is stated that the number of reports received were less than in former years. As the Saskatchewan Proceedings are not reviewed it is assumed that the Grand Representative for Saskatchewan failed to make the review.

VIRGINIA

164th Annual Communication at Richmond, February 10th, 11th, and 12th, 1942. Grand Master C. D. Freeman. Lodges 354. Members 39,083. Gain 320. An Emergency Communication was held at Portsmouth on April 4th, 1941, for the purpose of attending the funeral of M.W. Bro. William L. Davis, who was Grand Master in 1928-29. There was also an Emergency Communication at Tasewell on January 13th, 1942, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of M.W. Bro. John S. Bottimore Grand Master in 1921. The proceedings contain memorials to these distinguished brethren.

There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers at the Annual Communication and 10 Past Grand Masters were present. The representatives of 56 Jurisdictions were welcomed by the Grand Master.

The maintenance of the Masonic Home cost $85,206. The total estimated receipts for the current year are $133,561 and the estimated

expenditure $136,498. The Committee on higher education disbursed the sum of $5,198 in assisting students and the Committee on Charity expended $5,316. The estimated expenditure for the Masonic Home for the current year is $91,345; income from investments will reduce the amount to be furnished by Grand Lodge to $69,776. There is a Relief Foundation of $372,837. Efforts are being made to increase this Fund. The number of children in the Masonic Home on December 31st, 1941, was 155.

The Grand Master spoke of the privilege of attending the Conference of Grand Masters when the subjects discussed were most instructive. He referred to some of the subjects: Freemasonry in Europe, Freemasonry in Mexico, and Organizations Whose Membership is Predicated on Masonic Membership.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to The Herald, the official publication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. He stated it deserved the support of all members in the Jurisdiction and commended it as covering most important events in Masonic circles.

The Grand Master reported visiting 74 Lodges and attending 45 other Masonic gatherings. He was prevented from doing more because of his connection with the Norfolk Navy Yards where his duties compelled almost continuous work. He reported Lodges generally in good condition with attendance improved and payment of dues more satisfactory.

In referring to the War the Grand Master said the nation had been forced into a world-wide war as the result of a savage and treacherous attack; there has never been a time when the principles of human liberty were more seriously threatened; to preserve the best in our civilization calls for sacrifice; each should pledge his unswerving loyalty to the end that justice and right may prevail over the forces of injustice and wrong.

The review of correspondence is by the Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. James M. Clift. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 receive very kindly reference.

WASHINGTON

85th Annual Communication at Tacoma, June 16th and 17th, 1942. Grand Master John A. Emiga. Lodges 266. Members 38,891. Loss 28. There was a full representation of Grand Lodge Officers and 20 Past Grand Masters were present. 54 Jurisdictions were represented, among them Saskatchewan by Bro. John M. Roberts. Visitors attended from the Grand Lodges of Idaho, California and Oregon. A reception was accorded to the Past Grand Masters. They were welcomed at the Altar and the Grand Master thanked them for their continued services to the work of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master referred to the serious situation facing the country and stated that many of the members were in the armed forces; they all were affected by Wartime regulations and that all should rally to the support and preservation of the country and its institutions. He also stated that since 1858 the country had witnessed four major national crises; four great wars have been fought shaking the very foundations of the government and its institutions; the country had however well withstood every shock. Providence, he said, had been very kind to the American people by blessing them with an abundance of wealth and natural resources.

Seven Special Communications were held during the year; two for the purpose of laying the cornerstones of public buildings, three to dedicate new Lodge halls and two for the purpose of consolidating Lodges.

In conformity with the request of the Grand Master, a large number of Lodges in the Fall of 1941 held a "Grand Lodge Night" when representatives who had attended the last Communication gave a detailed report of the proceedings of Grand Lodge. The Grand Master is of the opinion that the meetings were helpful in giving the members a more accurate knowledge of the work of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master in June, 1941, journeyed to South Eastern Alaska and visited the Lodges at Ketchikan, Juneau and Skagway. He was much impressed by the enthusiasm of the members in Alaska.

The Grand Master spoke very highly of the Masonic Home at Zenith, situated between Seattle and Tacoma facing the waters of Puget Sound. He referred to the Home as "a beautiful, stately structure five stories high, of modern design and construction, surrounded by eighty acres of land. The maintenance of the Home cost $74,500 and there is an Endowment Fund of about $200,000. There are 166 residents in the Home.

According to the Grand Master the condition of Masonry in Washington is sound and progressive. Many Lodges are experiencing an increase in membership but not such as was experienced during and after the last war when there was an unusual number of applications. Attention was called by the Grand Master to the effect that this had upon the Fraternity and he warned against its repetition.

The Committee on Masons in the Armed Forces reported that they are attempting to develop a two-fold programme: (1) Encourage the Lodges to keep in contact with their own members in the services. (2) Inform Masons in the forces of all meetings held in proximity to the places where the men are stationed.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Arthur J. Davis. In a foreword the question of war welfare work is dealt with at length and the opinions of the Grand Masters of several Jurisdictions are analysed. The Masonic Service Association has a plan to establish Masonic centres at the different army camps and has already set up a number of centres. This plan has met with serious opposition particularly from the Grand Lodges of Iowa, North Carolina, California, Texas and Arkansas. The opposition to the plan is for the following reasons: (1) the Government is providing recreational facilities for all the soldiers in the armed forces. (2) There is the United Service Organization sponsored by Congress and large sums of money have been received from the general public to establish centres outside the camps. M.W. Bro. Davis takes the same view as those who oppose the setting up of Masonic Centres and thinks the welfare work should be done by inviting the men to local Masonic meetings. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully and kindly reviewed. There are references to the district meetings, to the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters, to the Benevolent Fund and to the work of the Committee on Education.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Grand Master J. S. Battye. Lodges 159. Members 9,953. Gain 109. A Quarterly Communiction was held at Boulder, August 20th, 1941. This was the annual Goldfields Festival held pursuant to the decision of

Grand Lodge to meet in one Communication each year alternately at Boulder and Kalgoorlie. The Grand Master referred to the meeting in the Goldfields as one of the largest and happiest he had ever attended.

The Grand Master made fitting reference to the death of M.W. Bro. Alexander C. McCallum who passed away on August 9th, 1941. M.W. Bro. McCallum was Grand Master in 1930 and for many years had been active in the affairs of Grand Lodge, particularly as President of the Board of Benevolence.

In his address the Grand Master stated that in times of peace there is much to be gained by expression of the ethical principles of Masonry and their value to the common weal; in periods such as the present amid the appalling upset of world affairs such principles must be translated into actual practice and must have a distinct bearing not only on what is but on what must come when arms are laid down and men's minds are turned to the problem of finding the best methods for the organization of peace and happiness; the idea that we live unto ourselves and are not concerned with the welfare of our neighbours must be discarded; everyone is aware of how necessary it is to create a better civilization and to bring about a feeling of general harmony and goodwill in every field of human relationship. All, he said, would like to think of a day when there would be no more strife and bitterness, no more war and bloodshed.

The Board of General Purposes reported that the annual elections resulted in a 29% vote as compared with 31% in the previous year. The Board commented upon the smallness of the vote and upon the system of postal voting drawing attention to the small percentage voting since the system was introduced.

Quarterly Communications were held at Perth in November, 1941 and February 1942. The Annual Communication was held at Perth in May, 1942. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and the lodges were well represented. Reference was made by the Grand Master to the increase in membership. A table of membership which is contained in the Proceedings shows a steady growth, there having been few losses since the Grand Lodge was organized in 1900.

The Grand Master spoke of the importance of the Ancient Landmarks and called attention to the most important of the Landmarks, a belief in God and the immortality of the soul. Freemasons hold these Landmarks to be eternal and immutable. The Modernist he said may say that science has proved that there can be no God and that reason is wholly against immortal life. For many years these forces have been at large in society and have brought nothing other than that they have turned the world into a seething cauldron of hate which is well on the way to destroy civilization. He also spoke of the world being divided into two hostile camps; on the one hand there are the nations which hold fast to a belief in God, in freedom and individual liberty; on the other hand there are those nations which have reverted to pagan beliefs which deny individual freedom and rest not on the ethical principles of brotherhood but upon tyranny and oppression.

There is a Widows' and Orphans' and Aged Masons' Fund of £55,610, and the sum of £5,574 was disbursed in grants during the year. The total amount in all funds exceeds £131,000.

M.W. Bro. J. S. Battye was proclaimed Grand Master for 1942 and 1943.

WEST VIRGINIA

78th Annual Communication at Morganstown, October 14th, 15th, 1942. Grand Master J. B. Dodrill. Lodges 164. Members 29,192. Gain 366. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. 156 Lodges were represented. The Grand Representatives of 42 Jurisdictions were in attendance. They were welcomed by the Grand Master and asked to convey the greetings of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia to their respective Jurisdictions. The Roll of Past Grand Masters was called and warm welcome was extended to them.

The Grand Master stated that since the last meeting the nation had become engaged in the most gigantic, cruel and costly war the world has ever known, waged on the one side from the most dastardly of motives which had ever actuated mankind and on the other side to repel and destroy the evil forces and to accomplish peace on earth.

Two Special Communications were held each year for the purpose of laying the cornerstones of public buildings and one to dedicate a new Lodge Hall. There was also a Special Communication to conduct the funeral of M.W. Brother George W. McClintic, Past Grand Master. The Proceedings contain a memorial to this distinguished brother.

The Masonic Home at Parkersburg had 88 residents on August 31st, 1942. According to the report of the Board of Governors the number of boys and girls in the Home is gradually decreasing. This is stated to be due in part to better family conditions and also to the increase of the State and Federal organizations having for their purpose the welfare of children. The maintenance of the Home cost $41,633, which included the sum of $2500 for outside maintenance.

The Report of the Committee in charge of the George Washington National Memorial showed collections for the year of $379 00. West Virginia has contributed in all $40,836, which is about 70% of the goal of $1.70 per capita based on the membership at the time when the amount was fixed. West Virginia ranks thirtieth among the States in the amount of its contribution.

The Review of Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Louis N. Tavenner. This is Bro. Tavenner's 18th review. In a foreword reference is made to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces, which is reported to have been adopted by the majority of the Grand Lodges in United States. Some however prefer that their charity be extended to the dependents of the brethren and that they keep in touch with those in the forces by having the constituent lodges furnish the Grand Secretary with the means of contact throughout the whole world. He reports that the Grand Lodge of Texas raised the question of the right of any Masonic Organization to exert control in the Jurisdiction of any Grand Lodge. The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1942 are very fully and kindly reviewed. There are references to the address of the Grand Master, to the amount raised and forwarded to the Grand Lodge of England for relief, to the reports of the Committees on the Condition of Masonry and Masonic Education, and to the Benevolent Fund. There is a statement in the Proceedings to the effect that M.W. Bro. Tavenner was absent from the Communication, this being his third absence since he was installed as Junior Warden in 1888. The writer hopes that the absence was not caused by illness and if it was he hopes by now that Bro. Tavenner has fully recovered.

WISCONSIN

98th Annual Communication at Milwaukee, June 9th and 10th, 1942. Grand Master L. F. Nohl. Lodges 306. Members 60,637. Loss 472. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 13 Past Grand Masters were present. 293 Lodges were represented, there being only 13 without representation. The National Flag was presented and the pledge of allegiance was given. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Illinois. M.W. Bro. George J. Leicht, who was elected Grand Master at the last Communication died during the year and the Deputy Grand Master L. F. Nohl became ex officio Grand Master. In his address the Deputy Grand Master paid tribute to the life and service of the deceased Grand Master. This Grand Lodge also mourned the passing of two other Past Grand Masters during the year. M.W. Bro. George F. Lounsbury and M W. Bro. Fred L. Wright. Special Communications were held for the purpose of conducting the funerals of these distinguished brethren.

The Grand Master referred in his address to the terrible tragedy of war "crowding in upon our daily life and thought with constantly increasing intensity". The dislocation of the national economy, the national debt and ruinous taxes, the ever present danger of invasion and above all the blood of youth which is being spilled on foreign soil calls upon the very best in everyone to strengthen the national powers of resistance and aggressiveness. Great sacrifices are necessary to preserve the national integrity.

Recognizing the need for united action to secure funds to help pay a portion of the cost of erecting a sufficient number of welfare centres in the military camps, the Grand Master read a letter from the Masonic Service Association and stated that it should be referred to a Committee for consideration.

The Grand Master expressed the opinion that the great need in Wisconsin is an Officer's Manual that will counsel and guide the masters in conducting the affairs of the lodges. He advised the appointment of a Committee to study and prepare such a manual to be submitted to the next annual meeting.

Lengthy reference was made by the Grand Master to the publication of a Foreign Correspondence report which costs $1,000 annually. He spoke of the laborious work entailed in the preparation of the report and thinks its length should be curtailed. He pointed out that Pennsylvania and Massachusetts publish no such report and New York has a report of only twenty-five pages. Texas has 159 pages and the last Wisconsin report consisted of 188 pages. England, Ireland and Scotland publish none and a number of Jurisdictions in the United States in addition to those before mentioned publish none. He suggested that a suitable resolution be prepared to guide the Grand Master in his supervision of the report. The Committee on Jurisprudence subsequently recommended no change in regard to the report on Foreign Correspondence.

The Review of Foreign Correspondence is by Bro Frank Jenks. In a foreword Bro. Jenks says that as he finished his report a year ago "we were witnessing the violent struggle of England against the terrible might of ruthless bandits. The struggle was watched with the detached interest of a non-participant and many criticised the government for spending money with abandon. Then came Pearl Harbour in December, 1941, and the war became that of every man and woman in

the United States, for if the war is lost the nation will become a nation of slaves; it is the war of everyone who loves freedom and who hates brutality and oppression." The Saskatchewan Proceedings for 1941 are very fully and kindly reviewed, with references to the address of the Grand Master, the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and the Report of the Committee appointed to consider what the Grand Lodge could do to express its loyalty to the King and Empire.

WYOMING

68th Annual Communication at Laramie. August 24th, 25th, 1942. Grand Master E. T. Kerr. Lodges 50. Members 7,812. Gain 23. There was a full attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and 19 Past Grand Masters were present. Visitors were present from the Grand Lodge of Kansas, South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska and the District of Columbia. 47 constituent Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master referred to the fact that 67 years ago the Grand Lodge held its first annual Communication at Laramie and that it again met at Laramie in 1918, during the first World War. Today they again convened when civilization is in a state of confusion; he stated that civilization is being put to a supreme test at a time when we have achieved the peak of material advances in sciences, industry and invention. There is no real encouragement in the events of recent months and many hardships are ahead. The war is being fought for freedom which must not be achieved and then forgotten; it must be preserved and carefully guarded.

Reference was made by the Grand Master to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces. He thinks the Association is the only medium through which the brethren in the forces can be adequately served. During the year he issued a letter to the lodges asking a contribution of one dollar from each member for the support of the work. The appeal resulted in a sum of $2,648. He advocated a per capita assessment to support the work.

The Committee in Correspondence reported an application for recognition of the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana of Vera Cruz. They stated that so far as they could learn this Grand Lodge lived up to all the requirements and had been recognized by nine Jurisdictions in the United States and Central America. In order to make the universality of Masonry an actuality they recommended that recognition be granted. The recommendation was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence which subsequently reported that there was insufficient data upon which to base a recognition and they advised further inquiry.

The Review of Correspondence was presented by Bro. Irving E. Clarke. In a foreword attention is called to the fear of some Grand Masters that owing to the war there may be too many candidates as seems to have happened during the last war. The reviewer says that the standard should be kept high. He also refers to the work of the Masonic Service Association among the armed forces and says that some Jurisdictions support the work and some do not. Every Jurisdiction however is doing something. 60 Jurisdictions are reviewed among them Saskatchewan for 1941, which received very kindly reference.

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO

82nd Annual Communication at Mexico City, April 4th, 1942. Grand Master John Jenkin. Lodges 13. Members 567. Loss 73. Ten Past

Grand Masters were present and 44 Jurisdictions were represented among them Saskatchewan by Bro. H. M. Campbell. A reception was accorded the Grand Representatives and the Grand Master requested them to convey the greetings of the York Grand Lodge to their respective Jurisdictions. Ten constituent Lodges were represented and M.W. Bro. L. B. Blakemore Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was a visitor.

The Grand Master spoke of the Communication being held unmolested and in security while peoples in many parts of the world are undergoing sorrow, privation and untold suffering. He stated that it is beyond the comprehension of minds not directly involved to realize the terrible moral and physical results upon nations placed under the cruel heel of dictatorial tyrants. He also referred to the suppression of Masonry in many countries and said all who remember the unfortunate brethren in other lands should pray for the early restoration of their normal conditions of living.

The Grand Master stated that gains and losses in membership could not be given at the time of writing his report due to lack of complete details but he said that it was probable that the membership had decreased. He reported however that it was depressing to note that some of the Lodges are holding only one or two regular meetings per year, and that one had held no meetings. He advised that the incoming Grand Master appoint a Committee to thoroughly investigate the matter of the Lodges which have been unable to function regularly and unless a way can be found to continue their work in accordance with the requirements that steps be taken to lift their charters.

The Committee on Foreign Relations reported no requests for recognition. The committee stated that the York Grand Lodge is approved in many Jurisdictions and included a few commendations taken from the proceedings of other Jurisdictions, particularly from the Grand Lodges of Nebraska and Montana, in which references are made to the recognition of the York Grand Lodge and to refusals to extend recognition to some of the Grand Lodges in the Mexican states.

Due to the high cost of printing and scarcity of paper, it was again decided not to publish the detailed review of proceedings of other Jurisdictions. It is hoped however to resume publication in the near future. The Committee on Foreign Relations however in a brief reference to Masonry throughout the world refers to the suppression of Masonry in European countries and stated that it was active in the British Isles and United States and Canada, in Australia and New Zealand. Reference is made to the active charities in many Jurisdictions and to increase in membership and it is stated that there will be no repetition of the great losses which occurred after the last world war.

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